

REPORT OF
The Adjutant General
OF THE
STATE OF FLORIDA

For the Year 1924



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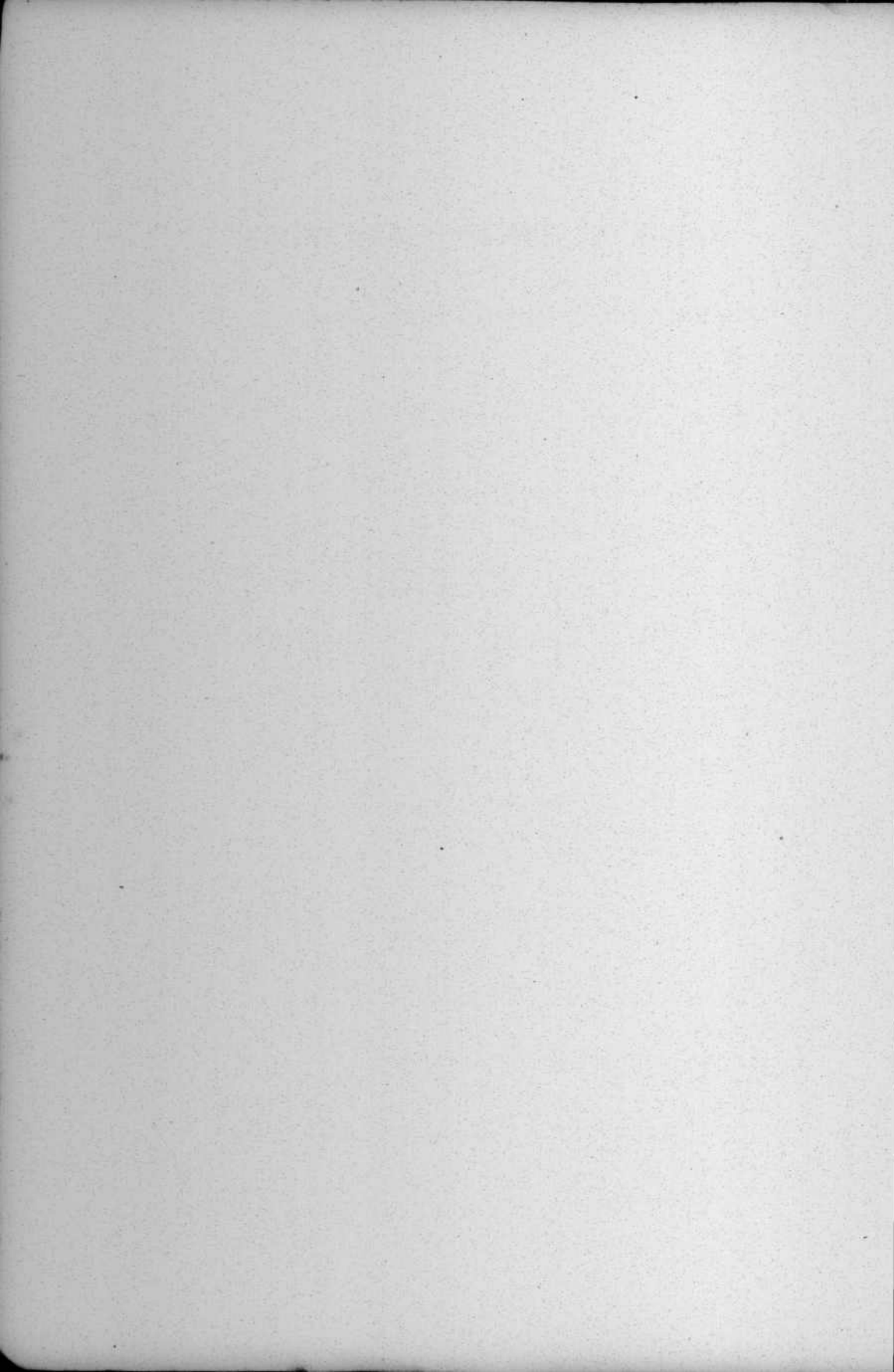
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REPORT OF THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Military Department, State of Florida

Office of the Adjutant General

St. Augustine, December 31, 1924.

Subject: *Annual Report of the Military Department.*

To: *The Governor of Florida.*

The following report of the Military Department of the State of Florida for the year 1924 is submitted:

UNORGANIZED MILITIA.

The estimated strength of the Reserve Militia of the State is 242,000.

THE NATIONAL GUARD.

On December 31, 1924, the National Guard of Florida was as follows:

	<i>Officers. Enlisted.</i>	
General Officers, Line.....	1
Adjutant General's Department.	2
Inspector General's Department.	1
Judge Advocate General's Department	1
Quartermaster Corps.....	5	82
Medical Corps.....	9	38
Dental Corps.....	2
Veterinary Corps.....	2
Corps of Engineers.....	5	117
Chaplains	2
Field Artillery.....	43	705
Coast Artillery.....	8	167
Infantry	62	1,153
Total	143	2,262
Warrant Officers.....	2
Total strength, commissioned and enlisted		2,407

The strength reported above shows an increase during the year of 25 officers, 1 warrant officer and 432 enlisted men.

FLORIDA NATIONAL GUARD RESERVE.

Commissioned Officers.....	16	
Warrant Officers.....	1	
Enlisted Men.....	1	18

OFFICERS UNASSIGNED LIST.

Captains	3	
First Lieutenants.....	2	5

RETIRED LIST.

General Officers.....	4	
Other Officers.....	40	
Enlisted Men.....	11	55

ORGANIZATIONS ALLOCATED TO FLORIDA.

(Units indicated in italics are not formed.)

Corps Troops:

- 1 Motor Transport Company.
- 1 *Motor Transport Company.*

Harbor Defense Troops:

- 1 Battalion Headquarters.
- 1 Battalion Headquarters Detachment.
- 2 Batteries.
- 1 *Battery.*
- 1 *Medical Detachment.*

31st Infantry Division Troops:

- 1 Division Headquarters.
- 1 Regiment of Infantry.
- 1 Regiment of Field Artillery.
- 1 Military Police Company.

- 1 Motorcycle Company.
- 1 *Battalion Headquarters, Combat Engineers.*
- 2 Companies, Combat Engineers.
- 1 *Company, Combat Engineers.*
- 1 *Headquarters Hospital Company.*
- 1 *Hospital Battalion Headquarters.*
- 1 *Headquarters Battery, Field Artillery Brigade.*

Several of the units above indicated as unformed would undoubtedly have been formed had not the Militia Bureau, on account of the running short of the Federal appropriation, suspended the formation of any new units in July, 1924.

ORGANIZATIONS TO BE FORMED IN CASE OF NATIONAL
EMERGENCY.

Corps Troops:

- 1 Anti-Aircraft Artillery Company.
- 1 Ambulance Company.
- 1 Motor Transport Command.
- 1 Motor Repair Section.
- 1 Wagon Company.
- 1 Military Police Company.

MUSTERED INTO SERVICE.

The following organizations have been formed, mustered into State service and recognized by the Federal Government during the calendar year:

Headquarters, 31st Division:

Formed by the appointment of Major General Albert H. Blanding, June 1, 1924. Headquarters at State Arsenal.

Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 124th Infantry:

Formed at Sanford, January 18, 1924.

Band Section, Service Company, 124th Infantry:

Formed at Jacksonville, February 7, 1924.

Company M, 124th Infantry:

Formed at Tallahassee, June 26, 1924.

31st Military Police Company:

Formed at Brooksville, June 10, 1924.

Company E, 106th Engineers:

Formed at Jasper, November 14, 1924.

4 MUSTERED OUT OF SERVICE.

Band Section, Service Company, 124th Infantry, at Sanford, January 10, 1924.

Company E, 106th Engineers, at Century, December 1, 1924.

It will be noted that both units indicated above as mustered out have been reformed at new stations.

ACTIVE STATE SERVICE.

The troops of this State were employed only once during the year for active service in aid of the civil authorities, and a report on that duty is submitted herewith, marked Appendix "A."

FIELD EXERCISES AND CAMP INSTRUCTIONS.

The field exercises and camps of instruction of the Florida National Guard during 1924 embraced the following:

(a) An encampment at the State Camp Ground, near Jacksonville, July 13th to 27th, inclusive; participated in by the State Staff Corps and Departments; the 124th Infantry; Company D, 106th Engineers; 106th Motorcycle Company; 31st Military Police Company and Motor Company No. 220.

(b) An encampment at Fort Bragg, N. C., August 2nd to 16th, inclusive; participated in by the 116th Regiment of Field Artillery.

(c) A camp of instruction at Fort Monroe, Va., August 1st to 15th, inclusive; participated in by the 1st Separate Battalion (Coast Defense).

All of the above were visited and inspected by the Adjutant General.

The reports of the commanding officers of Florida troops participating in these camps are appendices to this report, marked "B," "C," and "D," respectively.

SMALL ARMS PRACTICE.

The schedule for encampment at the State Camp Ground provided for firing by all Infantry troops armed with the rifle and pistol and Company D, 106th Engineers and for record pistol practice by Quartermaster Corps units and the 31st Military Police Company. All units armed with machine guns, Howitzers and Stokes Mortars were given instruction courses in firing. Reports of the Range Officer and Machine Gun Officer are submitted herewith, supplemental to Appendix "B."

Due to the time spent with their larger regulation arms, no record pistol practice was fired by Field Artillery or Coast Artillery units.

TARGET PRACTICE OF ARTILLERY UNITS.

Both Field Artillery and Coast Artillery units participated in target practice with their assigned arms. The record of this practice is covered by the Commanding Officers in their Reports on Field Training, transmitted herewith and marked Appendices "C" and "D."

STATE RIFLE COMPETITION.

The Annual State Rifle Competition was held on the range at the State Camp Ground July 10th to 12th, inclusive, immediately preceding the Infantry encampment.

Due to many improvements having been made in range and needed repairs having been made to equipment, the firing program was much more expeditiously conducted than the preceding year. The report on the competition is transmitted, marked Appendix "E."

NATIONAL MATCHES.

The National Guard of the State of Florida was creditably represented in the National Matches, held at Camp Perry, Ohio, during the month of September. In order for this State to make more creditable showings in these matches each year, greater interest and cooperation must be shown by organization commanders. Men who develop expertness in marksmanship and can spare the time to participate in this great National Meet should be encouraged to practice firing consistently throughout the summer until the tryout for the team.

Participation by Civilian Team:

The State of Florida was also represented in the National Matches this year by a Civilian team made up of nine members of the Palm Beach Rifle Club, two members of the Winter Haven Club, and two members of the Jacksonville Club, and this team made a very creditable showing in the matches.

If full benefit is to be obtained from the participation of civilian team in the National Matches, the War Department should arrange to give the States such advance notice of the fact that civilian teams will be sent to the matches as will make it possible to give ample notice to all civilian rifle clubs, and give time for the selection of the personnel for the teams by competition.

FEDERAL AND STATE APPROPRIATIONS, 1924.

As a matter of general information, and as a means of comparing the relative proportion of the expense of main-

taining the Florida National Guard, that is borne by the Federal Government and the State, respectively, the following financial statements are presented:

Federal Disbursements.

Armory drill pay.....	\$112,329.47
Salaries of caretakers of material, animals, target ranges, etc.....	30,973.33
Expense of instructors and sergeant-instructors	5,983.20
Leases and improvements of target ranges.....	1,198.92
Expenses of camps of instruction:	
Pay, subsistence, etc.....	101,793.83
Transportation	53,193.36
Forage for animals in use in the State.....	16,676.50
Miscellaneous items of expense.....	2,492.88
Total cash disbursements.....	<u>\$324,591.49</u>

Cost of equipment supplied during the year:

Uniforms, arms and equipment for new units	\$103,367.70
Replacement, equipment issued direct to units.	6,330.50
Replacement and new equipment issued to the State	49,018.58
Transportation of equipment.....	13,675.90
Total cost of equipment.....	<u>\$242,392.68</u>

Total Federal disbursements..... 566,984.17

State Disbursements.

Appropriated for Expenses of National Guard:

First six months of 1924.....	\$ 29,081.86
Amount expended.....	25,573.46
June 30 reverts to Treasury.....	<u>3,508.40</u>

Appropriated for Expenses of National Guard:

Fiscal year 1925	\$ 80,110.00
Amount expended.....	28,825.98
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Balance carried forward.....	\$ 51,284.02

ACCOUNTING FOR PUBLIC FUNDS.

A study has been made of this subject and regulations are now in process of preparation which will simplify accounting for inexperienced officers and will at the same time afford greater protection to the State in the matter of funds issued to organizations as allowances for their maintenance.

CARE OF PUBLIC MILITARY PROPERTY.

During the year material progress has been made in determining responsibility for public military property that has been lost, and which, as the result of survey proceedings, has been determined to have resulted from avoidable causes. Responsible officers, and particularly organization commanders, have not as yet, however, given proper attention to the fixing of responsibility for losses of equipment upon the individual soldiers who are at fault, and are not collecting the money value of property so lost by promptly charging it against the responsible soldiers on the pay rolls of the organizations.

By survey proceedings, adjustment of the property accounts of a number of organization commanders have been made during the year and approximately \$3,100.00 has been collected by cash payments and under the bonds of responsible officers.

For the first time in a number of years, a good basis for the adjustment of the individual property accounts of officers has been provided by the inspection and physical check of all property in the hands of organizations which was made by the U. S. officers under orders of the War Department. When shortages have appeared as a result of

this check, the officers have been required to show by affidavits that the missing property has been recovered since the inspection, or to institute survey proceedings to account for losses. In a few cases where losses appeared and the responsible officers failed to institute surveys, this has been done upon the initiation of the State Quartermaster. The continuance of this procedure each year will result in protection to the individual officers concerned and avoid much loss to the Government and State.

While upon this subject, it seems proper to say that provision should be made by the State for safeguarding within armories the individual clothing and equipment required to be issued to the men. While funds are not available to furnish all armories with individual lockers, funds saved in the appropriation for rent of armories in a few cases where armories are now being furnished by the cities and counties will be used for that purpose at those places. An item for the purchase of lockers has been included in the estimates for the expenses of this department for the ensuing two years.

STATE ARSENAL.

Since the last session of the Legislature, the reconstruction of the main office building at the State Arsenal has been completed, and the housing of the State military administrative offices will now compare most favorably with that of any other State. The building is fully equipped for the transaction of business and the reports made by U. S. inspecting officers who have inspected the headquarters and its operations have been most gratifying.

From the report made by Major John C. Fairfax, Infantry (D. O. L.), upon the occasion of the Annual Federal Inspection of National Guard posts, the following statement is quoted:

“The State Arsenal is in old St. Francis Barracks. It is owned by the United States and leased by the

State of Florida. It is the best military plant ever seen by the writer."

The property turned over to the State for use as military headquarters is very valuable, and, in addition to the building used for office purposes which has just been restored, there are a number of other large buildings used for storage purposes and as quarters. Necessary repairs to some of these buildings have been made during the past two years from funds appropriated for that purpose. There are three other buildings, however, which should be reroofed and repaired for their preservation and as a protection to the public property stored therein.

ARMORIES.

The providing of suitable armories for National Guard organizations is one of the most difficult problems with which the Military Department has to contend. This matter was made the subject of special discussion at the meeting of the State Armory Board held August 24th, 1923, and after full consideration of all phases of the situation it was decided, by resolution of the Board, that in the formation of additional National Guard units it would be considered a prerequisite that the communities where such units were to be located should agree to provide appropriate and necessary housing.

It is believed that this is the only logical method of obtaining suitable armories and that it is reasonable and proper to expect and require this community cooperation in providing for Florida's quota of the forces for national defense.

When the six new units of Field Artillery were being formed during the summer and fall of 1923, the following memorandum was published as setting forth the new policy of the Military Department with regard to supplying armories:

MEMORANDUM ON ARMORIES FOR THE NATIONAL GUARD.

“Under the National Defense Act of 1916, as amended by the Act of Congress of 1920, the National Guard is made a part of the Army of the United States, and it now constitutes the largest arm of our military forces for national defense.

This change in the status of the Guard from its old militia basis was brought about in 1916 as the result of the adoption of a definite policy for national defense. It will be recalled that at that time a very determined effort was made by certain elements (under the administration of Mr. Garrison as Secretary of War) to impose upon the Government a military system which provided compulsory service in time of peace.

This meant, of course, a large paid standing army, and it will always remain a marvel that there were so many strong advocates of this policy throughout the country. It is not too much to claim that the adoption of the so-styled ‘Continental Army Plan’ was frustrated by the representatives of the National Guard, who pointed out that such a military system was at variance, fundamentally, with the basic principles of the Republic, and had been emphatically declared against by the founders of our Government.

Fortunately, the President and the Congress of the United States could not be stampeded into the adoption of an un-American and militaristic policy, and the adoption of the National Defense Act followed. George Washington said that our nation must depend for defense upon ‘a citizenry trained and accustomed to arms’ and in this spirit the present policy of national defense was conceived and is now being built along practical lines of cooperation between the Federal Government, the State and the communities which must supply the necessary personnel.

If justification of our present national military policy were required it would be found in the fact that we went to war with Germany to combat a philosophy of force, that had its birth in a system of compulsory military service; also, that by the adoption of the National Defense Act the National Guard was expanded from about one hundred and forty thousand to three hundred and thirty-four thousand men when called into Federal service for duty at the Mexican border, five hundred thousand men for the war with Germany. Troops of the 26th Division, followed closely by the 'Rainbow Division,' made up wholly of National Guard troops, were the first divisions to cross the seas.

So much for our military policy as it relates to the National Guard and in explanation of the status of the National Guard as a national force; but the National Guard has a dual status and is also a State force, subject to and directly under the orders of the Governor at all times until called into the service of the United States. In this capacity it is the State's strong arm in the enforcement of law and order.

Under the law as now constituted, the training and equipment of the Guard is the function of the Federal Government. Its administration, including its management and the enforcement of discipline, is the function of the State, while there rests with each community which would make its proportionate contribution to national defense and the enforcement of law and order, the privilege of furnishing the necessary personnel and of providing for its proper housing.

The Government is supporting the National Guard most liberally. It has issued more than two million dollars' worth of arms and equipment to the National Guard of Florida. Last year it expended more than two hundred thousand dollars for the training of Florida's troops. The armory drill pay alone amounted to about seventy-eight thousand dollars which was dis-

tributed to the members of the various organizations throughout the State. This in addition to the pay and expense of several camps of instruction.

The State has met its responsibility in providing for the maintenance and management of the State's forces, and it now rests with the communities throughout Florida to do their part by encouraging and supporting their local units, and in providing for their necessary and appropriate housing.

The formation of the 116th Field Artillery in South Florida means an investment of a half million dollars by the United States in equipping this regiment. It rests with the State to see that the money is well invested and returns an efficient organization, which can be permanently and successfully maintained. To do this, adequate armory facilities for the care and safe-keeping of the guns and material and for the care of animals, as well as suitable places of assembly for the men, is essential.

Many of the counties of South Florida, and the cities as well, have responded most liberally and the formation of the regiment is now assured. The new units of this artillery regiment will be placed in those cities that are willing to cooperate. (Note: This regiment has since been completely organized.)

The young men of Florida can have no better training, both physically and in citizenship, than may be obtained through service in the National Guard, and it is hoped that the day will soon come when every city in the State will feel that it is lacking in an important item of civil equipment, if it has no local organization of the National Guard and suitable armory for its accommodation. Local pride and appreciation of the community's responsibilities will prompt the filling of such a deficiency, just as would be the case if a city had no city hall, fire department buildings or public library.

Every city in the State should be able to maintain a unit of the National Guard and provide for its proper housing, and those which lead in their civic achievements are rapidly bringing this about."

Under this policy, seven new armories have been built and furnished by communities and cities during the year, also bond issues are pending in two other cities for the construction of armories.

STATE CAMP GROUNDS.

Attention is invited to the references in my Report for 1924 to the conditions under which the Government reservation at Black Point has been turned back to the State for use as a rifle range and training ground for the National Guard.

During the year there has been filed with the Secretary of War a comprehensive brief giving a history of this reservation; the conditions under which it was acquired and of the contribution made by the State towards its preparation for military uses and equipment; also, the Adjutant General has appeared in person at a hearing before the Assistant Secretary of War upon this subject. The Government later called upon the State to execute a formal agreement based upon the terms and conditions originally agreed upon with my predecessor. It was felt that the State must decline to execute this agreement since it involved an obligation for the maintenance and upkeep of more than a hundred temporary wooden structures that have no value for the purposes for which the reservation is now being used, and are rapidly deteriorating. Since similar temporary structures erected for war purposes on reservations the control of which the War Department has retained have been salvaged, it is felt that the State of Florida ought not to be required to try to maintain and keep them in repair.

It is believed that the War Department is in full sympathy with the purpose of the State to make this reservation as suitable as possible for the training of the National Guard; but is prevented from cooperating along the lines suggested by the State authorities because of legal obstacles.

In order that the Armory Board may be able to proceed with the plans for properly laying out and equipping this reservation for the purposes for which the land was originally acquired by the Government and the State, a bill has been introduced in the Senate providing for the transfer of the Federally-owned land from the Government to the State for National Guard uses.

EX-SERVICE MEN'S BUREAU.

The work formerly carried on at Jacksonville through a division of this office known as the Ex-Service Men's Bureau, is now being carried on at the main office in St. Augustine. Constant advice and assistance is being given to ex-service men and their dependents in securing the benefits to which they are entitled under the law.

NATIONAL DEFENSE DAY.

Under orders of the Governor, this office cooperated with Federal authorities in bringing about a proper observance of National Defense Day, and it is pleasing to be able to record the fine patriotic spirit with which civilian officials and our citizens generally throughout the State cooperated in carrying out the plans of the Government for better acquainting the citizenship of the country with our system of defense and their individual responsibilities thereunder.

In practically every city of any size in Florida appropriate exercises were held and widely participated in. The National Guard conducted parades and took an active part in the programs of the day, making it the occasion of a special recruiting campaign.

THE NATIONAL GUARD ASSOCIATION.

The National Guard Association of the United States held its annual convention during the first week of December, this year, at Philadelphia. Florida was represented by a delegation consisting of Major General Albert H. Blanding, commanding the 31st Infantry Division; Brigadier General J. Clifford R. Foster, the Adjutant General of Florida; Colonel Raymond C. Turek, commanding the 124th Infantry, and Colonel Sumter L. Lowry of the 116th Field Artillery. The week of the convention was highly important and a detailed report of the proceedings is now in the hands of all officers of the Florida National Guard. This State was honored by being selected as the meeting place for the convention of 1925, and by the election of its Adjutant General as Vice President of the Association.

THE ASSOCIATION OF MILITARY SURGEONS.

The Florida National Guard was also represented at another important military convention this year, the annual meeting of the Association of Military Surgeons of the United States, which was held at San Antonio, Texas, on November 13th, 14th and 15th. The Florida delegation consisted of Major Guy A. Klock, State Surgeon, and Major Earle H. McRae, Surgeon of the 116th Field Artillery. Major Klock has submitted a report of the proceedings at San Antonio and it is presented as Appendix "F" to this report.

LEGISLATION.

For some time since a careful study has been in progress of the Military Code of this and other States with a view to asking such amendment of the military law of the State as will bring it up to date and make it conform both with existing Federal law and with the law of other States in which the National Guard is showing the greatest progress.

All officers of the Florida National Guard were invited to submit suggestions as to any amendment of the State law which they might think necessary or desirable. With this information as a basis, a bill is being prepared which it is proposed shall be offered at the 1925 session of the Legislature as a new Military Code for the State.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

Recommendations will be submitted to your Excellency and to the State Budgeting Commission with a view to securing legislative appropriations for the following purposes:

(a) To provide necessary repairs to certain State buildings, especially at the State Camp Grounds.

(b) To increase the allowance to organizations, so as to make possible the equipment of all armories with steel lockers for the safekeeping of the personal equipment of the men. This for the equipment of armories not now supplied with these necessary and important facilities.

(c) For an appropriation to commence the work of establishing in the office of the Adjutant General the records of all soldiers who have served from Florida in the Indian Wars, the war between the States, the Spanish-American War and World War, as far as such records are obtainable from the archives of the War Department and other sources.

(d) An appropriation to provide for holding at least a three days' school of instruction for the commissioned officers of the Florida National Guard in 1925. A school of this character was held at the State Arsenal this summer, the expense of which was borne by the Federal Government, and proved most successful as a means for improving the administrative work of the Guard. The War Department has advised that funds for this purpose will not be available in 1925, hence the State is asked to make possible the continuance of this school.

CONCLUSION.

The necessity for increased State appropriations for the support of the National Guard will readily be appreciated when it is known that the strength of the Guard in Florida has been increased by sixty per cent within the past two years, and that we now have organized all units that the War Department has been able to authorize for this State.

In place of twenty-three companies (exclusive of headquarters and other detachments) that were organized when the Legislature last met, we now have thirty-nine, with corresponding increase in needs for housing and support.

The increase in the size of the Guard and the resultant increase in the volume of administrative matters have necessitated a reorganization of the Adjutant General's office. The reorganization is outlined in an Office Memorandum which is submitted with this report, marked Appendix "G."

I have the pleasure of reporting to you that the general condition of the National Guard throughout the State is very satisfactory, and that there is continued evidence of constant improvement in efficiency.

Respectfully submitted,

J. CLIFFORD R. FOSTER,
Brigadier General, F. N. G.,
The Adjutant General, Florida.

APPENDIX A

Headquarters, 124th Infantry,
Florida National Guard.

Jacksonville, Florida, February 12th, 1924.

Subject: *Guarding of Duval County Jail, February, 1924.*

To: *The Adjutant General, State Arsenal, St. Augustine,
Florida.*

1. At 7:30 P. M. on Friday, February 8th, 1924, the Post Commander received a telephone call from Judge George Cooper Gibbs of the Circuit Court. Judge Gibbs stated that the Duval County Jail was in danger of being overwhelmed by a mob and that troops were needed at once. Judge Gibbs stated that he had been in telephonic communication with the Governor and that the Governor had authorized the calling out of the military forces. This call was followed by a telephonic message and a telegram from the Adjutant General as follows:

St. Augustine, Florida, February 8th, 1924.

Colonel Raymond C. Turck,
Commanding Post National Guard,
Jacksonville, Florida.

You will report immediately to the Sheriff of Duval County with such force as may be required from National Guard organizations at your Post to assist that officer in maintaining the public peace and in protecting prisoners in his custody by order of the Governor.

FOSTER,
Adjutant General.

2. Within twenty-five minutes from the time of the telephonic message from Judge Gibbs, Captain Robert Towers of the Howitzer Company was at the Armory in uniform getting his men together and preparing his guns. Within a short time, Captain Fred Safay of the Headquarters Company, Lieutenant Frank Whiddon of Company "F" and Major Woodward and Captain Wall of the Coast Artillery were at the Armory actively engaged in calling out their troops. It was a difficult time to get the men together, but within one hour and twenty-five minutes from the first call, the Jail and the adjoining blocks were in complete control of the military forces consisting of a section of the Howitzer Company with one officer and twelve men and two 37 mm. guns. There were, in addition, two officers and thirty-six men from the Headquarters Company, 154th Infantry, Company "F," 154th Infantry, and 437th Coast Artillery Company. The Guard, consisting of three officers, Captain Fred Safay, Lieutenant Frank Whiddon and Lieutenant Livin Arnett, with forty-eight men were kept on duty at the Jail until midnight of Saturday, February 9th.

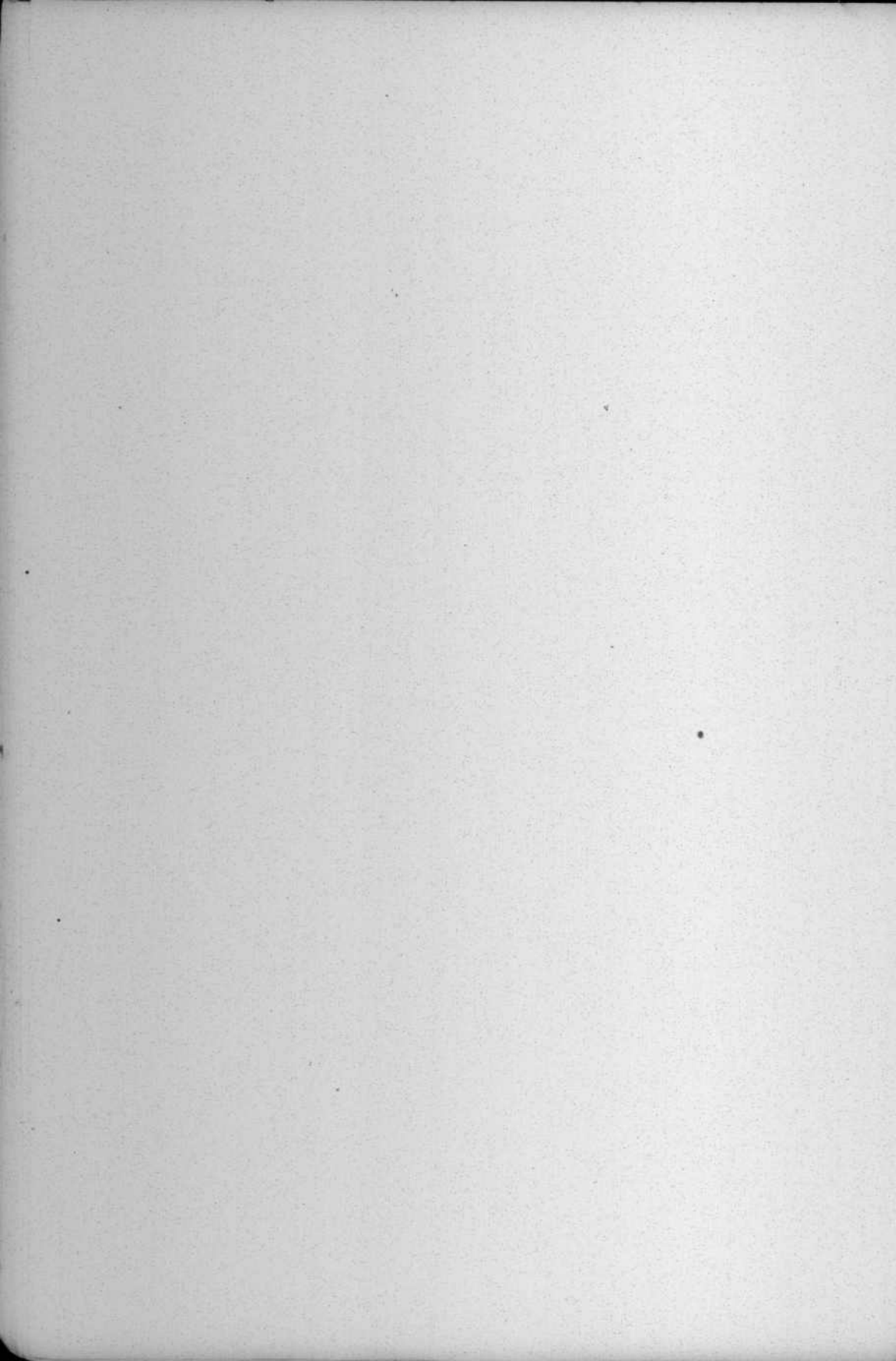
3. The following officers were also duty at the Jail, voluntarily, at varying periods: Colonel Raymond C. Turck, Major M. R. Woodward, Captain Charles H. Andress, Captain P. L. Wall, Captain Robert Towers, Lieutenant Edward V. Garcia and Lieutenant Roy Whitaker. In compliance with telephonic communication from the Governor, the Guard was withdrawn at the time specified by him, in deference to the wishes of the Sheriff of Duval County, for men armed with automatic rifles and tear gas grenades were left at the Jail when the main Guard was withdrawn. On Sunday, February 10th, all troops were withdrawn.

4. A supply of overcoats and tear gas grenades were received from the Adjutant General by automobile on the afternoon of Saturday, February 9th. The Post Commander gave out an interview, believing that such infor-

mation would have a deterrent effect on any projected mob violence.

5. The situation, at present, appears to be quiet and there is every indication that the accused will be brought to speedy trial.

R. C. TURCK,
Colonel, 124th Infantry, F. N. G.,
Commanding.



APPENDIX B

Headquarters, 124th Infantry,
Jacksonville, Florida, September 1st, 1924.

REPORT ON CAMP OF INSTRUCTION, JULY, 1924

**The Adjutant General, State Arsenal, St. Augustine,
Florida**

1. *Authority.* The following report is submitted of the fifteen-day field training camp of the 124th Infantry, Florida National Guard, and attached units, held July 13th to 17th, inclusive, 1924, under authority of S. O. 112, A. G. O., Fla., June 14, 1924:

2. *Officers and Organizations.* The following units of the Florida National Guard were present:

REGIMENTAL HEADQUARTERS, 124TH INFANTRY, F. N. G.

Colonel Raymond C. Turck, Inf., Commanding.
Lieut. Col. Vivian B. Collins, Inf., Executive Officer.
Major Chester H. Wilson, Inf., Machine Gun Officer.
Major Ralph E. Stevens, M.C., Regimental Surgeon.
Capt. Chas. H. Andress, Inf., Adjutant.
Capt. J. A. Register, Inf., Plans and Training Officer.
Capt. John R. Ingram, Inf., Regimental Supply Officer.
Capt. Theodore A. Blinn, M.C., Battalion Surgeon.
Capt. Albert C. McKenzie, M.C., Battalion Surgeon.
Capt. Carroll H. Frink, D.C., Dental Officer.
Capt. Frank C. Boardman, D.C., Dental Officer.
Capt. Chas. S. Hartridge, Chaplain, Regimental Chaplain.

<i>Unit.</i>	<i>Station.</i>	<i>Commanding Officer.</i>	<i>Officers.</i>	<i>Men.</i>
1st Battalion..	Miami	Major Robert N. Ward..	1	..
2nd Battalion..	Jacksonville ..	Major Vandell O. Brown	1	..
3rd Battalion..	Tarpon Spgs..	Major Jay H. Henning..	1	..
Company "A" ..	Daytona	Capt. Leon J. Harton ..	3	44
Company "B" ..	Miami	Capt. Benj'min B. Acree	3	55
Company "C" ..	W. Palm Bch	Capt. W. H. vonBehren.	3	49
Company "D" ..	Sanford	Capt. J. C. Hutchison ..	2	52
Company "E" ..	Live Oak	Capt. Robert G. White..	3	42
Company "F" ..	Jacksonville ..	Capt. Albert E. Barrs..	3	48
Company "G" ..	Starke	Capt. Julian L. Peck...	3	71
Company "H" ..	Lake City....	Capt. Thomas Crouch ..	3	44
Company "I" ..	Palmetto	Capt. Caius Rowlett....	3	59
Company "K" ..	Orlando	Capt. Preston Ayres....	3	50
Company "L" ..	St. Petersburg	Capt. Cramer B. Potter.	3	52
Company "M" ..	Tallahassee ..	Capt. Chas. N. Hobbs...	3	56
HdQRS. Co.	Jacksonville ..	Capt. Fred Safay.....	2	49
Howitzer Co. ...	Jacksonville ..	Capt. Levin Arnett.....	3	47
Service Co. ...	St. Augustine..	Capt. Roy C. Hallman..	4	37
Band Section..	Jacksonville ..	War. Off'c'r J. W. Berry	1	32
Medical Detch.	Sanford	Major Ralph Stevens...	5	27
Hdq. Co., 1st B.	Sanford	1st Lt. Leroy Chittenden	2	17
Hdq. Co., 2d B.	Jacksonville ..	1st Lt. J. P. Derham, Jr.	2	14
Hdq. Co., 3d B.	Tarpon Spgs..	1st Lt. C. N. Hall.....	1	22

STATE STAFF CORPS.

Lieut. Col. J. H. Spengler....Q. M. C.....Camp Quartermaster.
 Major Guy A. KlockM. C.....Camp Surgeon.
 Major Geo. W. Bassett, Jr. ...J. A. G. D....Judge Advocate.

ATTACHED UNITS.

<i>Organization.</i>	<i>Station.</i>	<i>Officers.</i>	<i>Men.</i>
Co. "D," Eng'rs..	Panama City..	Capt. M. B. Hawkins	2 50
106th M'cycle Co.	Jacksonville...	1st Lt. R. M. Holder.	2 47
220th M.T.C.....	Jacksonville...	1st Lt. E. V. Garcia..	2 34

The total average present in camp was eighty-seven (87) officers and ten hundred and fifty-three (1,053) men.

The following details to special duty were made:

Capt. Chas. H. HoltslawR.C.F.N.G.Range Officer.
 Capt. J. Alvin Register124th Inf., F.N.G. Post Ex. Officer.
 Capt. A. J. Thomas.....R.C.F.N.G.Police Officer.
 Capt. Carroll H. Frink.....D.C.F.N.G.Athletic Officer.
 Capt. Chas. S. Hartridge.....124th Inf., F.N.G. Asst. Ath. Officer.
 1st Lieut. Chas E. Harris....R.C.F.N.G.Pub. & Mor. Offer.

3. *Camp Administration.* The camp administration functioned with its usual smoothness and efficiency. I wish to extend all credit for the noiseless celerity and most

highly satisfactory administrative service to my Regimental and Camp Staff. In my opinion, there is not a weak point in the Regimental Staff. The staff is ready for the field. Added efficiency was noticeable in the battalions through the functioning of the Battalion Headquarters Companies. The following officers received special commendation from the Senior Instructor as follows:

Col. R. C. Turck, wrote order for regimental field problem and conducted regimental field problem and terrain exercise and commanded camp and regiment.

Lieut. Col. V. B. Collins, executive officer, performed his duty in a most satisfactory manner and is loyal and efficient.

Major C. H. Wilson, regimental machine gun officer, a Benning graduate, was instructor for machine gun companies and supervised pistol practice.

Major R. N. Ward, commanding 1st Battalion, 124th Infantry, is an efficient Battalion Commander and a result getter.

Capt. J. A. Register, regimental plans and training officer, conducted demonstrations with Howitzer Company and assisted in the instruction of specialists assigned to Regimental Headquarters Company and Battalion Headquarters Companies.

Capt. A. J. Thomas, Florida National Guard Reserve, rendered valuable service as police officer.

Capt. C. H. Holstlaw, Florida National Guard Reserve, rendered valuable service as range officer.

Lieut. Col. J. H. Spengler, Quartermaster 31st Division, N. G., rendered invaluable service as Camp Quartermaster.

First Lieut. C. E. Harris, Infantry, N. G. Reserve, rendered valuable service as Camp Publicity Officer.

Capt. Charles H. Andress, Regimental Adjutant, performed his duty in a most satisfactory manner.

Inasmuch as there were troops from two States in camp for a part of the period, by arrangement between the Adju-

tant General of Florida and South Carolina, the undersigned assumed command of the camp as per the following order :

National Guard Training Camp,
Camp Johnston, Florida, July 14th, 1924.

GENERAL ORDERS

No. 1.

1. By authority letter of instructions, A. G. O. Fla., July 14th, 1924, the undersigned assumes command of this camp.

2. The camp area comprises all the territory designated as the Military Reservation, Camp Johnston, Florida.

3. The following camp staff appointments are announced :

Lieut. Col. V. B. Collins, 124th Inf., Executive Officer.

Capt. Chas. H. Andress, 124th Inf., Adjutant.

Lieut. Col. J. H. Spengler, Q.M.C., Camp Quartermaster.

Major Guy A. Klock, M.C., Camp Surgeon.

Capt. Fred Safay, 124th Inf., Intelligence Officer.

4. The following detail to special duty, in addition to his other duties, Capt. J. Alvin Register, 124th Infantry, Post Exchange Officer.

5. Publishes list of service calls which is attached hereto as an appendix.

6. Commanders of all grades are responsible for sanitation within the areas of their organizations. The police of certain outside areas is fixed by camp orders.

7. Matters of training, uniforms, drills, firing, authorized absences from camp and all other matters of internal administration will conform to the regulations of the respective commanders.

8. Guard (interior) will be performed by company for their respective regiments.

9. The 31st Military Police Company will provide details for the City of Jacksonville and designated area outside the camp.

10. No food or like commodity will be sold in the camp, except in the authorized exchange or by permission in writing from the Adjutant.

R. C. TURCK,

Colonel, 124th Inf., F. N. G.

The arrangement appeared satisfactory and many possible conflicts of authority, reference guards, military police, use of grounds, etc., were obviated. I wish to express my appreciation of the hearty cooperation given by Colonel T. E. Marchant and the officers of the 118th Infantry, South Carolina National Guard.

4. *Drill and Instruction.* The schedule of instruction, which included field training, athletics and firing, is believed to have been satisfactory for a fifteen-day camp period. The men received excellent training in extended order and actual field work, the special units received a maximum of training possible in their special functions, the supervised athletic program was most satisfactory, and in firing Course "D" the men were not overworked or exhausted either in the pits or on the range. Work was never permitted to extend over six hours per day and every third afternoon was devoted to organized athletics by each Battalion.

Throughout the entire training period all work was directed toward a field training objective, *i. e.*, the Regiment in the field in an attack problem. The preliminary Platoon, Company and Battalion field problems, the training of the special units and the terrain exercises were all preliminary to the Regimental field maneuver.

The general schedule was as follows:

SCHEDULE OF INSTRUCTION FOR ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT OF 124TH INFANTRY, FLORIDA NATIONAL GUARD.

July 13th, 1924, to July 27th, 1924.

Special Schedule for Field Staff:

Four (4) terrain exercises without troops, preparatory to the Regimental field problems, afternoons to be designated by the Camp Commander.

Chemical Warfare Instructor:

As outlined by Instructors at hours to be designated by Camp Commander.

Engineer Companies:

Such special work as may be designated by Instructors in addition to close order, etc.
Company "D" attached to 1st Battalion for firing.

Medical Detachment:

Special training as prepared by Regimental Surgeon.

220th Motor Transport Company and 106th Motorcycle Company:

Practical training in transportation problems. Special instructions to participate in the Regimental field problems as designated.

RIFLE COMPANIES.

July 14th to 16th, 1924, Inclusive.

Forenoon—All Battalions setting-up exercises; close order drill; bayonet training; extended order drill; platoon problems.
Afternoon—Company and Battalion problems.

July 17th to 24th, Inclusive, Except Sunday, July 20th.

Same as above for two Battalions. One Battalion firing on range.

Thursday, July 24th, 1924—Governor's Day.

Demonstrations.
Competitive Drills—Regimental Athletic Field Day.
Regimental parade.
Guard mount by selected Company.

Friday, July 25th, 1924.

Forenoon—Preparation for Regimental maneuver.

Afternoon—Regimental practice march; establishment of outpost; instruction in shelter tent, pitching, making camp; construction of latrines; supply; field cooking; night bivouac.

Saturday, July 26th, 1924.

Forenoon—From bivouac to Regiment in attack.

Afternoon—Return to camp.

REGIMENTAL REVIEW

Sunday, July 27th, 1924.

Muster, pay, break camp, police area, entrain.

(a) *Headquarters Companies* (Regimental and Battalion). These companies were given instruction in their special functions, the work of the communication platoon being stressed.

(b) *Howitzer Company*. This Company functioned with its usual high efficiency. In both direct and indirect fire its Stokes mortars were of deadly accuracy up to nine hundred yards. It fired with equal accuracy its 37 mm. guns.

(c) *Service Company*. The improvement shown by this Company was very satisfactory. The Company functioned excellently in all its sections. It received special training in general accountability and use of forms, in receiving, warehousing and distribution of supplies; in supply of units in the field; in the care of animals, and in the care and use of motor equipment.

(d) *Engineers*. Specialized instruction was given this Company. Improvement in appearance and in close order drill was noticeable.

(e) Training in interior guard duty was given all line companies; posts were established in camp and, in addition, the Military Police Company established special posts and received excellent training in handling of traffic in camp which was especially heavy on Regimental Parade days.

All line companies are deficient in interior guard duty. This should be stressed in the armory period.

(f) *The Motor Transport and Motorcycle Companies* rendered efficient and loyal service. A truck convoy was sent into Jacksonville each night under command of a commissioned officer, affording free transportation for enlisted men and providing excellent convoy training for the Transport Company.

Except for temporary daily recreational purposes after duty hours, authority to leave camp was restricted to the very few exceptional cases that necessarily arose. Officers, on every occasion, registered at Camp Headquarters the time of their departure from and their return to camp. All officers and enlisted men were present at all formations of their units, except as noted below:

(1) On special duty and specifically excused by authority of Headquarters.

(2) Detail of four (4) for each company as follows:

- 1 N.C.O. in charge of company line.
- 1 latrine orderly.
- 2 cooks police.
- 2 cooks.
- 1 mess sergeant.
- The sick.

(g) The Canopus Cup for the best-drilled Company in close order drill was won by Company "A" of Daytona.

5. *Instructors.* We were fortunate in having a relatively large force of Regular Army instructors. Without exception, every one of these officers and non-commissioned officers worked in the utmost harmony and in the greatest spirit of cooperation and helpfulness. They did much to foster the desired spirit of goodfellowship and comradeship between the components of the Army of the United States and to their untiring, efficient and enthusiastic instruction is due, in great measure, the great progress noted in the work of the Regiment and attached units. The fol-

lowing named officers and non-commissioned officers were on duty with the Florida National Guard:

Instructors—Infantry:

Colonel M. N. Falls, Inf., (DOL).
Major C. C. Lawrason, Inf., (DOL).
Major F. C. Phelps, Inf., (DOL).
Captain J. L. Ballard, Inf., (DOL).
Captain A. A. Fall, Inf., (DOL).

Sergeant-Instructors—Infantry:

Staff Sergeant Harry F. Conley, DEML, Inf.
Sergeant Charles E. Wingert, DEML, Inf.
Sergeant Edward E. Adams, DEML, Inf.
Sergeant Henry G. Dame, DEML, Inf.
Sergeant Willard B. Spurling, DEML, Inf.

Instructor—Quartermaster Corps:

Captain H. L. Kidwell, QMC, (DOL).

Instructors—Corps of Engineers:

First Lieut. H. W. Collins, CE (DOL).

Sergeant-Instructors Corps of Engineers:

Sergeant Lloyd S. Stroud, DEML, Engineers.
Sergeant Earl C. McCollum, DEML, Engineers.

Sergeant-Instructors Medical Department:

Sergeant Jerry H. Hecks, DEML, Med. Det.

Instruction in machine guns was given by Major Chester H. Wilson, Regimental Machine Gun Officer, 124th Infantry.

Captain J. Alvin Register, Plans and Training Officer, 124th Infantry, gave instruction to the Regimental and Battalion Headquarters Companies and also in firing of Howitzers and Stokes Mortars.

Major Ralph Stevens, Regimental Surgeon, 124th Infantry, was in charge of training of the Medical Detachment personnel.

6. *Field Problems.* Field maneuver of all units was stressed from the beginning, from squads, through platoons and companies, to battalions, all with the ultimate training objective in view (the regiment in attack). The terrain exercises for field and staff were given on the ground to be covered by the regiment and were as preliminaries to the actual field maneuvers with the regiment. Field orders were written by the Instructor for the regiment as part of an advancing brigade. Regiment orders were written by the Regimental Staff and in turn battalion and company orders were written and discussed. The regimental field problem was very satisfactory; the regiment was in position promptly, made its attack and attained its objective in the time specified. Improvement in communication was noticeable. A copy of Field Order No. 3 is appended, the regimental attack order.

7. *Rifle and Pistol Fire.* A separate detailed report on Rifle and Pistol Fire has been rendered. In general, the camp individual rifle championship was won by Sergeant Andrew Link of Company "K." High company score was made by Company "K." All companies were woefully deficient in preliminary training in both rifle and pistol. This was due principally to the large number of recruits. It is recommended that an outdoor small bore range of not less than five targets be constructed. This can be done at small expense by utilizing the first five targets on the three hundred yard range, using the present two hundred yard firing points and necessitating construction of firing points at one hundred, fifty and twenty-five yards.

The excellent work of Captain Charles Holstlaw, Reserve Corps, National Guard, Range Officer, is highly appreciated and is to be greatly commended. The report of the Range Officer is attached hereto.

8. *Machine Gun Firing.* Because of the large number of recruits in two companies and the fact that Company "M" was so recently organized that it came into camp without uniforms or equipment, no attempt was made to fire for record. All companies were given general training and all fired the instruction course.

The report of Major Chester H. Wilson, Regimental Machine Gun Officer, who functioned with his usual efficiency, is attached hereto.

The recommendation that one extra gun, complete, be issued to each Machine Gun Company as emergency, is concurred in.

9. *Quartermaster Department.* This department, under Lieutenant Colonel J. H. Spengler, Division Quartermaster, 31st Division, with the able assistance of Captain John R. Ingram, Regimental Supply Officer, 124th Infantry, operated with its usual smoothness and efficiency. We were fortunate to have the services of Lieutenant Colonel Spengler not only in the handling of the camp but in its preparation as well.

10. *Mess and Quarters.* The regiment this year was under canvas. The camp was located on the old Second Florida camp site on the river bank, with many of the tents for enlisted men under the trees. The camp was well laid out. Latrines and showers were provided for officers and men as well as kitchens and mess halls. The kitchens had permanent roofs, while the mess halls were covered with paulins. Water taps were provided in each kitchen. I am quite sure that the men were much cooler and just as comfortable if not more so in the tents than in the barracks, and, as a matter of fact, a tent camp is a whole lot more like real soldiering and undoubtedly healthier.

The messes were, with two exceptions, of excellent quality and sufficient quantity. The exceptions were due to

faulty management on the part of company officers and mess sergeants. The messes of Regimental Headquarters Company, Howitzer Company and Company "D" were particularly good. Next year, it is believed, that the officers should make arrangements to have their mess provided by certain companies. It will be recommended that the Regimental Headquarters Staff mess with the Regimental Headquarters Company and that the officers of each battalion mess with their respective Battalion Headquarters Companies. Separate mess shacks and tables to be provided for officers.

11. *Health and Sanitation.* The health of the command was excellent. Two deaths occurred, one due to accident and one to an abdominal condition. There were but seventeen (17) patients admitted to the hospital.

A complete sanitary order was issued and strictly observed. The sanitation and police of the camp, with the exception of faulty disposal of kitchen slop water, was at all times satisfactory. The work of Captain Archibald J. Thomas, N. G., Inf., Reserve, on active duty as Camp Police Officer, was of high value.

The report of the Camp Surgeon is appended hereto. The recommendations contained therein are concurred in.

The report of the Regimental Surgeon showing the consolidated sick call for the period of the camp is appended.

The report of the Police Officer is attached.

On account of the excessive heat, it is recommended that cotton shirts be issued to the entire command.

A memorandum from the Regimental Surgeon, 124th Infantry, reference venereal diseases, is attached. Particular attention will be directed henceforth to the recommendation in Paragraph No. 3.

12. *Vaccination and Inoculation.* The regiment came into camp 83.3% fully vaccinated and inoculated. It is worthy of note that the following listed eleven (11) com-

panies arrived one hundred per cent fully vaccinated and inoculated :

Company "A."	Hdqrs. Co. 3rd Btl.
Company "K."	Howitzer Co.
Hdqrs. Co. 1st Btl.	Company "E."
220th M. T. C.	Company "D" 106th Engi-
Company "D."	neers.
Company "M."	Medical Detachment.

The vaccination and inoculation of the regiment and all attached units were one hundred per cent complete before leaving camp.

The report of the Regimental Surgeon reference vaccination and inoculation is attached.

This desirable result was due in a large measure to the active co-operation and assistance rendered by the Florida State Board of Health. The following memorandum was sent out on June 14th, 1924:

Memorandum To All Company Commanders:

Attention is directed to the fact that but four weeks remain before the Annual State Encampment of the Florida National Guard and that it is very essential that all officers and men be completely vaccinated against smallpox and inoculated against typhoid fever before going to camp.

The Florida State Board of Health is ready to help in this work and will be glad to send a sufficient quantity of material to take care of the officers and men in your company to the commanding officer or to the physician who is to do the work. The Florida State Board of Health will further co-operate by authorizing the District Health Officers to administer the typhoid and smallpox vaccine without charge.

The District Health Officers of the State Board of Health and their headquarters are as follows:

Dr. T. A. Blinn, State Board of Health, Jacksonville.
 Dr. C. R. Weirich, Gilbert House, Fort Lauderdale.
 Dr. H. E. Hitchcock, State Laboratory, Tampa.
 Dr. W. A. Claxton, P. O. Box 482, Gainesville.
 Dr. F. A. Brink, State Laboratory, Tallahassee.

This matter can be taken up with the District Health Officer in your district direct.

R. C. TURCK,
 Col. 124th Inf., F. N. G.,
 Commdg.

13. *Detraining and Entraining.* As usual, all companies detrained and went to their quarters promptly, with precision and under excellent discipline. All companies left camp, after policing quarters and grounds, in the same quiet expeditious manner. Camp General Orders were issued covering the entraining movements.

14. *Military Courtesy and Discipline.* The camp was at all times under strict military discipline. There were but few disciplinary actions necessary. There were no summary courts. In general the discipline of the regiment is believed to be of a high order.

Military courtesy was stressed. Effort was made at all times to teach the men to act and look like snappy, smart, well dressed and well trained soldiers. The saluting of the regiment showed a marked improvement over last year.

The work of the Intelligence Section of the Regimental Headquarters Company was satisfactory. Due, no doubt, to previous examples of detection and arrest of bootleggers and moonshiners, there was but little trouble with liquor in the camp.

15. *Morale and Esprit.* The growth of unit esprit is noticeable from year to year. This is fostered through

abundant competition in drill, firing and athletics and the awarding of medals, cups and prizes. The fact that there was a regiment from another State in camp promoted regimental esprit. The morale of the men was generally excellent. The camp schedule was productive of excellent results in many ways, not the least of which is the noteworthy material enjoyment of the camp life as expressed generally by both officers and men. Abundant passes were given, a free truck train was sent to the city every night and camp entertainments were provided.

The services of First Lieutenant Charles H. Harris, N. G. Reserve, as Camp Publicity and Morale Officer, cannot be too highly commended. Most desirable publicity was secured through the Camp News page conducted by Lieutenant Harris in the Florida Times-Union. This page was published under the name of "Sound Off" and kept the public informed of the daily happenings of interest in the camp. The thanks of the entire military force are due the Florida Times-Union for their courtesy and splendid co-operation.

16. *Athletics.* Each battalion was allowed every third afternoon for supervised athletics. There was a noticeable increase in interest in athletics over the previous years. Every day effort was made to promote intercompany competition, to teach the individual army tests, and to train and pick the best men and the best teams to compete for the prizes and cups at the Annual Field Meet. Excitement in many of these competitions ran high, especially in baseball, and such friendly rivalry between units is believed to be a strong factor in the promotion of unit esprit. The value of the lessons in physical development and training is obvious. Boxing was featured. Captain Carroll H. Frink, D. C., 124th Infantry, F. N. G., was detailed as Camp Athletic Officer. To his enthusiasm and efficient and active service is due much of the success of the athletic programme. The report of the Camp Athletic

Officer, giving the results of the competitions in detail, is attached hereto as Appendix "J."

17. *Ceremonies and Inspections.* Battalion parades were held each clear day except Sunday. Three regimental parades were held, which drew their usual large crowd of civilian onlookers. On the day of Major General David C. Shank's visit to camp a Brigade Review was staged on the central parade ground, in which the 118th Infantry, South Carolina National Guard; the 124th Infantry, Florida National Guard, and all special units participated. The review was very creditable considering the short time allowed for preparation and the fact that neither regiment had been in a Brigade Review before. All units moved into position promptly and the review proceeded in a snappy and expeditious manner. All units tried hard to put up a good show and, in general, the appearance was better than might have been expected. After the review, all troops were massed on the river bank, under the trees, where they listened, with acute attention, to a most inspiring address by General Shanks.

The honor of putting on an exhibition guard mount was again won by Company "A" of Daytona. They mounted guard with their accustomed snap and accuracy. The synchronized rifle inspection, time with the music, by Lieutenants John V. Miner and Charles E. Messing, was a most attractive and spectacular feature. The day of General Shanks' visit to camp was devoted to demonstrations of the various arms and to athletic competitions. Company "I" put on an excellent platoon musketry problem, the Hewitzer Company did its usual accurate firing with Sikes and 37 mm. Headquarters Company made a demonstration in communications, using messengers, motorcycles, field phones, wireless and wig-wag; and a select platoon of machine guns under command of Captain Charles N. Hobbs made a creditable firing demonstration. The camp was visited and informally inspected by Colonel

Melville S. Jarvis, Infantry (DOL), from Headquarters, 4th Corps Area; Colonel George F. Baltzell, Infantry (OCMB), from the Militia Bureau, and Lieutenant Colonel T. C. Davis, General Staff, War Department. These officers expressed themselves as being pleased with the camp in general, with the administration and functioning thereof and with the work of the troops.

MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITIES

Y. M. C. A.

The service rendered by this organization in its operation of the "Y" hut, with its moving picture, physical training, boxing instruction, religious service, etc., was most excellent, as it has always been in Camp Johnston. A report of the activities of the Y. M. C. A. during the camp period is appended.

ENLISTED MEN'S DANCE

A successful enlisted men's dance was held at the pavilion on the river. Music was furnished by the Regimental Band and the men seemed to thoroughly enjoy the evening.

POST EXCHANGE

The Post Exchange was operated satisfactorily. It was managed on a businesslike basis. The service was excellent, but the results attained were not up to expectations because of the necessity of maintaining two exchanges all to the great number of rainy days. The Post Exchange showed a net profit of \$1,265.77, \$600.00 of which was given to the South Carolina National Guard, \$97.85 to the attached units, \$502.15 to the 124th Infantry and \$65.77 to the Armory Board.

RELIGIOUS SERVICE

Each Sunday morning the Regimental Chaplain of the 124th Infantry held services at the Y. M. C. A. building. The Chaplain's report is attached.

SUMMARY

19. (1) It is believed that this camp in its general operation, its smoothness of administration, its training in close and extended order drill, its field instruction; its rifle, pistol, machine gun, Stokes, 37 mm., automatic rifle, instruction; its athletic building program, its building of morale and esprit, its excellence of discipline, the impression it has made on the public, its healthfulness and excellence of sanitation has been satisfactory.

(2) The enviable results achieved are believed to be due to the enthusiasm, activity and efficiency of the commissioned and non-commissioned personnel, to highly efficient staff administration, to the well regulated schedule of instruction, to the personality and efficiency of the regular army instructors, to the consideration given the men in providing work hours commensurate with their strength and providing abundant athletics, competitions and amusements.

(3) The clothing of the troops, for both officers and men is not satisfactory. Uniforms are in many instances ill-fitting and of odd sizes and various colors. It is recommended that effort be made to provide uniform, well-fitting clothing for the enlisted personnel. Cotton shirts should be issued to the entire command.

(4) It is urgently recommended that effort be made to send the regiment and attached units out of the State for the camp in 1925. It is believed that one such movement out of the home State will do more to promote recruiting than any other measure. Recruiting, at present, is at low ebb and the regiment is below strength.

(5) It is recommended that effort be made to secure additional regular commissioned army personnel on duty with these troops so that there will be an instructor on duty with Regimental Headquarters, one with each battalion and one with the machine gun companies.

(6) It is urgently recommended that a carefully selected regular army sergeant be assigned to duty, not as an instructor but on a duty status, to serve as first sergeant with every company in the regiment.

(7) Stress should be laid on close order drill training in interior guard duty and preliminary instruction and practice in rifle fire during the coming armory period, so that no time may be lost with such elementals during the period of a fifteen-day camp.

(8) It is urgently recommended that every effort be made to provide the machine gun companies with complete serviceable equipment; that the requisitions for new guns be followed up and that the emergency guns as recommended by the Regimental Machine Gun Officer be provided.

(9) It is recommended that at least one each of the new 37 mm. Howitzers and the new B. L. Stokes Mortar be secured for training purposes.

(10) It is recommended that a small bore outdoor rifle range be provided as outlined in Section 7 of this report.

((11) Before next camp, which will, no doubt, be largely devoted to field maneuver, water carts and rolling kitchens should be provided for each company.

(12) The camp under canvas is much cooler and healthier, the regiment is more compact and amenable to control and discipline than the camp in barracks. Without doubt, all ranks like it better.

R. C. TURCK,

Col. 124th Inf., F. N. G.,

Commdg.

124th Infantry,
Intersection Riverside Drive and Rathborn Road.
24 of July, 1924. 11:30 p. m.

FIELD ORDER NO. 3

Maps: Detailed Map 154th Infantry Maneuver Grounds
1/7040.

1. (a) The Red enemy consisting of about one regiment of infantry without cavalry or aid force occupies an entrenched position astride the *Orange Park road at RJ*, 350 yards south of $9\frac{1}{2}$ mile post, extending along line (45, 6-31.8)-(43.8-31.6), supported by Battalion F. A. in $10\frac{1}{2}$ mile post on the *Orange Park road*.

(b) The First Battalion 116th F. A. from position in vicinity of *warehouse* (near *Henry Drive*) will support this regiment. It will lay an extensive bombardment on enemy front line position from 8:40 A. M. to 9:03 A. M.

(c) The 167th Infantry is on our right.

2. (a) This regiment with Company D, 106th Engineers, attached, in conjunction with our troops on our right, will attack, enveloping the enemy's right. It will push forward rapidly and drive the enemy to the southwest of *Orange Park road*. March conditions now cease.

(b) Time of attack 9:00 A. M.

(c) Line of Departure: Unimproved road running northwest from *Base Hospital* to *Bethel Church*. Present front line.

(d) Zone of action: Right boundary—Ditch 350 yards east of *Bethel Church*—*10-mile post*. Left boundary—(42.5-31.2)-(44.0-33.0).

(e) Direction of attack: Magnetic azimuth 230°.

3. (a) The First Battalion, reinforced by one platoon Howitzer Company, attached, will attack the enemy from position (43.3-30.0) extending 300 yards southeast. A strong connecting group will maintain contact with the 167th Infantry on our right.

(b) The Second Battalion, reinforced by one platoon Howitzer Company, attached, will attack the enemy from position left of the First Battalion, with its left flank resting at (42.5-31.2).

(c) The Third Battalion and Howitzer Company (less two platoons) and Company D, 106th Engineers, will constitute the Reserve, and will assemble 300 yards northwest of *RJ Riverside Drive-Casalinda road*. It will furnish a left flank patrol of one platoon to cover vicinity west of *Base Hospital* site.

(d) Upon reaching the line of departure a four-star rocket will be fired. All troops will be in their attack positions by 8:45 A. M.

(e) Company H will support the attack from an initial position in the vicinity of (42.3-31.3).

(f) Company D, 106th Engineers, will construct a ramp over fence at (42.2-30.0).

4. (a) Field trains and combat trains will remain in present location until further orders.

(b) Munitions Distributing Point: House 25 yards southwest of intersection of *Riverside Drive-Rathborn road*.

(c) Regimental Aid Station: House near *RJ-Riverside Drive-Casalinda road*.

5. (a) Axis of Communication: *Camp Johnston road-Riverside Drive-Casalinda road*.

(b) Initial C. P. as follows:

Regimental: Community House—*Casalinda*. First Battalion: On trail 300 yards east of intersection of R. Boundary Ditch and *Base Hospital—Bethel Church road*.

(c) Second Battalion (42.3-30.6) 300 yards southwest of Fence Gate, near Broken Dam.

Reserve: In edge of woods 200 yards northwest of *RJ-Riverside Drive-Casalinda road*.

TURCK,
Colonel.

LIST OF CALLS.

ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT 124TH INFANTRY

JULY 13TH TO 27TH, 1924.

Exceptions:

(a)

SUNDAY

Church Call.....10:00 A. M.
 Church Call..... 7:30 P. M.

Sound Only the Following Others Listed:

Mess.
 Sick.
 First Sergeant.
 Guard Mount.
 Retreat.
 Tattoo.
 Call to Quarters.
 Taps.

(b) Such modifications on stormy days or special occasion as may be directed.

NORMAL LIST

First Call for Reveille..... 5:45 A. M.
 March 5:50 A. M.
 Reveille 5:55 A. M.
 Assembly 6:00 A. M.
 Mess 6:25 A. M.
 Sick 6:55 A. M.
 Fatigue 6:55 A. M.
 Drill (First Call)..... 7:20 A. M.
 Assembly 7:30 A. M.
 Recall 9:00 A. M.
 Drill 9:10 A. M.

Recall	11:30 A. M.
Officers and First Sergeant.....	11:45 A. M.
Mess	12:00 Noon
Drill	1:20 P. M.
Assembly	1:30 P. M.
Recall	4:00 P. M.
First Call for Parade (Battalion).....	4:55 P. M.
Retreat (when there is no parade.)	
First Call	4:55 P. M.
Assembly	5:00 P. M.

Guard Mounting:

(Immediately after parade or retreat, as the case may be.)

Assembly.....	5 minutes later
Adjutant's Call.....	At signal from Adjutant
Mess	6:00 P. M.
Tattoo	9:30 P. M.
Call to Quarters.....	10:30 P. M.
Taps	11:00 P. M.

HEADQUARTERS
ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-FOURTH INFANTRY,
FLORIDA NATIONAL GUARD.

Subject: *Report of Range Officer.*

To: *Commanding Officer, Field Training Camp, Camp Johnston, Fla.*

1. According to schedule, range practice was begun on the morning of Thursday, July 17th, with the Second Battalion on the range. On account of the range being in use Wednesday morning and the heavy rainstorm in the afternoon, which prevented details from starting preparation of the pits until almost dark, firing started twenty-eight minutes behind schedule.

2. Throughout the practice range discipline has been good, the range and pits have been left clean at the end of each day, and a general spirit of co-operation has been noted, which has made possible the completion of the schedule.

3. Approximately four hundred men fired instruction practice, with two hundred and seventy-five going to record practice on the 24th inst. The above figures include Company "D," 106th Engineers. As a result of the record practice, the regiment qualified six expert riflemen, 20 sharpshooters and 53 marksmen. In addition, Company "D," 106th Engineers, qualified one sharpshooter and seven marksmen. Report of firing by the different Company Commanders as well as the Consolidated Regimental Report are attached. The names of men entitled to badges are given in the company reports.

4. On the pistol range approximately one hundred fired instruction course, and as a result qualified two experts, two sharpshooters and one marksman.

5. It is believed that for the betterment of range work in the future some of the firing points might be repaired in a few places, new numbers placed on the posts at firing

points, telephone system repaired and latrines constructed in the pits and near the firing lines.

CHARLES F. HOLSTLAW,
Capt. Inf., R. C., F. N. G.

Headquarters, Field Training Camp,
 Camp Joseph E. Johnston, Florida, 28 July, 1924

Subject: *Report, Machine Gun Training, 124th Infantry.*

To: *The Commanding Officer, 124th Infantry.*

1. In accordance with the provisions of Memorandum, HQ, Field Training Camp, dated July 19th, 1924, the following report of Machine Gun Training Companies "D," "H" and "M," 124th Infantry, is submitted:

Drill at Service of, the guns....	Very Satisfactory
Fire Control.....	Satisfactory
Care and Use of Material.....	Very Satisfactory
Harnessing and Packing.....	Satisfactory
Care and Use of Animals.....	Satisfactory
Mounted Drill	Satisfactory
Target Practice	Satisfactory
Preparation Instruction	Satisfactory
Machine Guns, condition of....	Satisfactory

Eight of the guns in the hands of the machine gun units are in excellent condition, the balance (four) have been ordered to an arsenal for salvage and repair. When new guns are received the regiment will have twelve serviceable guns.

The above ratings are assigned to all units, although the state of training of each vary, due to the unusual number of recruits.

All officers and enlisted men fired the Instruction Course for Machine Guns, but due to the short period of time allotted to firing by the schedule and in part by the state

of training of the organizations, no attempt was made to fire for record. The M. G. Cup is in the hands of Company "D."

The Instruction Pistol Course was fired by all units and the record course by selected officers and enlisted men, with the following qualifications: One pistol expert, one pistol sharpshooter and one pistol marksman. (Firing reports have been submitted by the unit commanders concerned.)

The officer personnel of the machine gun units is high, all of them functioning in this training period in the most commendable manner.

The enlisted personnel consists mostly of recruits, Company "D" having 85%, Company "H" 80%, and Company "M" 100%. The performance of these organizations under the conditions stated is considered very satisfactory. The noncommissioned personnel in Companies "D" and "H" is excellent.

The field firing was limited to one demonstration, a battery of six guns manned by noncommissioned officers under command of Captain Charles N. Hobbs, fired five problems with mixed ammunition as a demonstration to the regiment of the power of the weapon and to familiarize both the officers and enlisted personnel with the types of fire possible under varying conditions.

Summary: This tour of field training has been satisfactory, the equipment of the organization is in good state of repair, and when the new guns are received their equipment will be complete. It is recommended that one extra machine gun with equipment be issued to each company for emergency and that one gun complete be requisitioned for instruction purposes. It is further recommended that the field training period for 1925 be given over to firing and field maneuvers.

CHESTER H. WILSON,

*Major 124th Infantry,
Regimental Machine Gun Officer.*

HEADQUARTERS

ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-FOURTH INFANTRY,
FLORIDA NATIONAL GUARD.

Camp Johnston, Florida, July 24, 1924.

Subject: *Sanitary Report.*

To: *Camp Commander, 124th Infantry.*

1. The general sanitary condition of the camp during the period of the encampment has been excellent, the various organizations have followed instructions as to sanitary conditions about kitchens and mess tents, and for this reason there has been very few, if any, flies about camp.

2. The following changes should be made before another encampment:

(a) Sewer connections between each organization for the disposal of waste waters from kitchens.

(b) The installation of wash troughs with numbers of faucets in each battalion latrine.

(c) The regulation of two litters for each organization should be enforced, as medical officers had to visit men in tents, as they were not able to report at sick call.

(d) A longer rest period during the forenoon, so as to enable men to return to latrine, or otherwise rest. The period during this camp as outlined was only ten minutes.

(e) Opening of drainage in front of canteen No. 1 before occupation of camp next year, as after a rain there is stagnant water standing for the period of two or three days if there is no more rain, which means the breeding of a great many mosquitoes.

(f) The providing of a new range for the officers' mess.

G. A. KLOCK,

Major Medical Corps, F. N. G.

Camp Sanitary Officer

HEADQUARTERS

MEDICAL DETACHMENT, 124TH INFANTRY.

State Camp Grounds, Florida,
July 26th, 1924.

Subject: *The Consolidated Sick Call Report.*

To: *Col. Raymond C. Turck, C. O. 154th Inf., F. N. G.*

1. The following is the Consolidated Sick Call report for the period covering July 14th to July 26th inclusive:

	On	To		
2.	Book.	Duty.	Quan.	Hosp.
July 14.....	12	6	6	0
July 15.....	42	25	16	1
July 16.....	56	39	17	0
July 17.....	52	33	17	2
July 18.....	52	35	15	2
July 19.....	56	26	30	0
July 20.....	34	20	14	0
July 21.....	53	24	28	1
July 22.....	63	40	22	1*
July 23.....	59	39	17	3-1*
July 24.....	42	23	17	2-1*
July 25.....	49	25	21	3-2*
July 26.....	33	15	16	2-1*
Totals.....	603	350	236	17-5*

3. Figures marked with asterisk (*) signify a duplication on sick book, and while totals show 17 men in hospital, in reality only 12 were admitted to hospital during the encampment.

RALPH E. STEVENS,
Major M. C. 124th Inf., F. N. G.,
Regimental Surgeon.

HEADQUARTERS
ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-FOURTH INFANTRY,
FLORIDA NATIONAL GUARD.

Camp Johnston, Florida, July 26th, 1924.

Subject. *Report of Police Officer.*

To: *C. O. 124th Inf., F. N. G.*

1. The end to be obtained by the Camp Police Officer has been to make the camp present a neat, orderly and sanitary appearance at all times with as small details from the various Company Commanders as possible and with such dispatch as to allow the former as much time from his police duties as possible, which would enable him to observe and gain such military instructions as was possible.

2. It is believed that the appearance of the camp has been excellent. The tents have been far more satisfactory to the men than have been barracks in former camps. The general policing has been more easily accomplished and the general health of the men has been better than in former camps, the number on sick reports being thirty per cent smaller than last year.

3. The disposal of the liquid garbage presented the most difficult problem for the police officer. This was finally accomplished by the construction of cess pools, which worked admirably with the use of garbage traps. It is believed, however, that such disposal can be more successful if each kitchen is fitted with permanent plumbing.

4. The police officer has devoted his time every afternoon to the study of military information, attending conferences and observing the execution of problems on the field, and believes that such information gained has been of great value to him in the interest of the service.

ARCHIBALD J. THOMAS,
Captain Inf., F. N. G., Camp Police Officer.

Headquarters, Medical Detachment, 124th Inf.,
State Camp Grounds, Fla., July 27th, 1924.

Subject: *Venereal Disease.*

To: *Col. Raymond C. Turck, C. O. 124th Inf., F. N. G.*

1. In compliance with memorandum dated July 26th, 1924, the following report is submitted:

2. Five men were sent to their homes during the encampment due to the fact that they were suffering with a venereal disease.

3. It is recommended that Company Commanders be instructed to make a careful search before entraining for camp next year for any venereal disease in their companies. It is both a hardship on the man and the Company Commander, as the man cannot be paid and he cannot be given transportation to his home station, consequently the Company Commander must pay his transportation.

RALPH E. STEVENS,

Major M. C. 124th Inf., Regimental Surgeon.

Headquarters, Medical Detachment, 124th Inf.,
State Camp Grounds, Fla., July 27th, 1924.

Subject: *Inoculations and vaccinations.*

To: *Col. Raymond C. Turck, C. O. 124th Inf., F. N. G.*

1. In compliance with memorandum dated July 26th, 1924, the following report is submitted:

2. The following percentages on vaccinations and inoculations of the companies are as they entered the camp.

Company "A"	100 %
Company "B"	83.33%

Company "C"	99.8 %
Company "D"	100 %
Company "E"	100 %
Company "F"	74.5 %
Company "G"	71.6 %
Company "H"	99.5 %
Company "I"	66 %
Company "K"	100 %
Company "L"	65.4 %
Company "M"	100 %
Hd. Co. First Battalion.....	100 %
Hq. Co. Second Battalion.....	85.7 %
Hd. Co. Third Battalion.....	100 %
Hd. Co. Fourth Battalion.....	99.4 %
Service Co.	74.9 %
Band Sec. Serv. Co.....	66 %
Medical Detachment	100 %
106th Motorcycle Co.....	81.6 %
220th M. T. Co.	100 %
Howitzer Co.	100 %
31st M. P. Co.....	71.2 %
Co. D, 106th Engineers.....	100 %
Total	83.3 %

3. Total percentage fully vaccinated and inoculated coming into camp, 83.3%.

4. Troops 100% vaccinated and inoculated, 5 P. M., this day and date.

RALPH E. STEVENS,

Major M. C. 124th Inf., Regimental Surgeon.

Office of Regimental Athletic Officer,

124th Infantry, F. N. G.

Camp Joseph E. Johnston, Fla., July 26th, 1924.

Subject: *Camp Athletics.*

To: *Col. Raymond C. Turck, C. O. 124th Inf., F. N. G.,
Camp of Instruction.*

1. The afternoon athletic period was devoted to broad sword contests, fencing, shot putting, indoor baseball—played outdoor, swimming, foot races, javelin throw, discus throw, baseball and athletic games.

2. An Inter-State Military Field and Track Meet was participated in on July 17th, 1924, between the National Guard of Florida and South Carolina. All players of the South Carolina ball team and winners of first, second and third places in the track and field events were awarded certificates of merit, signed by the Colonels of the two regiments. Colonel R. C. Turck signed for the 124th Infantry, and Colonel T. E. Merchant signed for the 118th Infantry of South Carolina.

RESULTS

100-Yard Dash—Dulmadge (Fla.), first; Pace (Fla.), second; Helm (Fla.), third.

High Jump—Sollee (Fla.), first; Dulmadge (Fla.), second; Pettie (S. C.), third.

22-Yard Dash—Dulmadge (Fla.), first; Pace (Fla.), second; Helm (Fla.), third.

Broad Jump—Collee (Fla.), first; McGiffin (Fla.), second; Murphey (Fla.), third.

Mile Run—Ripley (Fla.), first; Moye (S. C.), second.

Shot Put—Scott (Fla.), first; Bryan (Fla.), second; Sollee (Fla.), third.

Half-Mile Run—McGiffin (Fla.), first; Moye (S. C.), second; Witfield (Fla.), third.

Javelin Throw—Sollee (Fla.), first; Dulmadge (Fla.), second; Beattie (S. C.), third.

The individual point score follows:

Sollee (Fla.), 18; Dulmadge (Fla.), 16; McGiffin (Fla.), 3; Pace (Fla.), 6; Moye (S. C.), 6; Ripley (Fla.), 5; Scott (Fla.), 5; Bryan (Fla.), 3; Helm (Fla.), 1; Murphey (Fla.), 1; Whitfield (Fla.), 1.

The baseball game was won by South Carolina.

3. Thursday, July 24th, 1924, was designated as Field Day for the 124th Infantry and attached units.

4. Captain Levin H. Arnett was designated as Officer in Charge of Boxing and Wrestling. The boxing schedule was arranged by Lieut. Wilfred R. Wolfe, and the elimination and finals resulted in the award of championship belts to the following contestants:

- (1) Whitney (Service Co.), bantam.
- (2) Parsons (Headquarters Co.), lightweight.
- (3) Coleman (Co. "L"), featherweight.
- (4) Roberts (Howitzer Co.), welterweight.
- (5) Cox (Co. "M"), middleweight.

5. The results of the Field Day Meet, Thursday, July 24th, 1924, were as follows:

All-round athlete cup won by T. J. McGiffin, M. T. C., with 25 points to his credit. L. J. Pace, M. T. C., finished second with 17 points, and Pat Murphey third.

In the Individual events the winners were as follows:

100-Yard Dash—L. J. Pace, 220th M. T. C.

High Jump—T. J. McGiffin, 220th M. T. C.

Shot Put—C. A. Scott, 220th M. T. C.

440-Yard Dash—T. J. McGiffin, 220th M. T. C.

Javelin Throw—W. D. Cobb, 31st Co. M. P.'s.

220-Yard Dash—L. J. Pace, 220th M. T. C.

Broad Jump—T. J. McGiffin, 220th M. T. C.

Low Hurdles—Van Helm, 220th M. T. C.

Half-Mile Run—T. J. McGiffin, 220th M. T. C.

Mile Run—J. M. Ripley, Howitzer Co.

Relay Race—M. T. C. team (by default).

The Motor Transport Company carried off the honors of the field meet, having practically no competition from any other organization, which gives the Provisional Battalion claim to having won the cup.

The baseball game was given to the Provisional Battalion by default, the Athletic Officer reporting that the team which was to contest for the trophy failed to appear upon the field.

6. It is recommended that field and track events be arranged annually for men who have never competed in any military field and track meet, as it seems that new men are loath to enter against athletes of known and perhaps superior ability.

7. After investigation of precedent and the opinion of Col. M. N. Falls, Inf. (DOL), and other National Guard and Regular Army officers, it is suggested that all National Guard officers be permitted and encouraged to enter all athletic tournaments or meets.

CARROLL H. FRINK,
Captain, D. C., 124th Inf., F. N. G.,
Athletic Officer.

Florida State
Young Men's Christian Associations,

Co-Operating in Service to
Their National Guard.

Camp Johnston, Fla., July 26th, 1924.

Col. Raymond C. Turck,
124th Infantry, Florida National Guard.

Dear Sir:

The following activities have been conducted during the encampment:

Games—Checkers.

Athletics—Boxing gloves have been available at all times for sparring. Mats have been available for wrestling.

These have been used more or less every day during the encampment.

Reading Matter—Magazines and the daily papers have been at the disposal of those who cared to use them.

Writing Material—Stationery, pens and ink have been furnished free.

Hospital—Flowers and ice cream have been taken to the sick on different occasions.

Movies—Films of the lighter nature, with those furnished by the State Board of Health, have been shown on four occasions.

Music—A piano and victrola have been in constant use.

Mail—The mail has been sent out from the tent three times each day.

An ice cream feed was attempted. Because of the large number, it was somewhat difficult to serve. It is a good thing, but should be handled differently next year.

The Secretaries have attempted to co-operate in other ways when called on.

Suggestions For Next Year—The State Secretary should arrange with the Commanding Officer for a central location and tents or building sufficiently large for the different activities. Dry quarters would help greatly. This should be done in advance, so that service could be given on arrival of the men. The relationships this year have been splendid. The great need is one of material equipment.

Respectfully submitted,

J. E. JOHNSON.

Office, Regimental Chaplain,
124th Infantry, Florida National Guard.

July 26th, 1924.

To: *The Camp Commander, Camp Joseph E. Johnston,
Jacksonville, Fla.*

Subject: *Chaplain's Activities, 124th Infantry Training
Period.*

1. Following statistics of the Office of the Chaplain,
124th Infantry, F. N. G., for information and approval:

(a) Number of religious services held.....	5
(b) Average attendance at services.....	91
(c) Entertainments for enlisted men.....	5
(d) Visits to sick of command.....	7
(e) Funerals conducted (enlisted men)....	2
(f) Miles traveled in official duties as Chaplain (including funerals).....	712
(g) Field meets held.....	2
(h) Entertainment for officers.....	1
(i) Letters written, official and in behalf of the enlisted men.....	35
(j) Strength of Command: Officers, 83; men, 1,053. Total, 1,136.	

2. *Morale of Command:* Very good.

3. No Chaplain's Fund.

CHARLES S. HARTRIDGE,

*Chaplain (Capt.), 124th Infantry,
Florida National Guard.*

APPENDIX C

Headquarters, 116th Field Artillery,
Florida National Guard.

Tampa, Florida, January 30th, 1925.

Subject: *Service Report of Sumner Field Equipment.*

To: *The Adjutant General, Florida, St. Augustine, Fla.*

1. In compliance with your letter dated January 9th, 1925, I wish to submit the following report of the third annual encampment of the 116th Field Artillery, Florida National Guard, at Fort Bragg, N. C.:
2. The dates of the encampment were from August 1st to August 17th, 1924, inclusive.

3. *Organization and Strength:*

Regimental Headquarters,

Colonel Lowry, Jr., Comdg.; strength, 4 officers.

Headquarters Battery,

Captain Sherwood, Comdg.; strength, 2 officers, 34 enlisted men.

Service Battery,

Captain Hayman, Comdg.; strength, 3 officers and 78 enlisted men.

Headquarters First Battalion, 116th F. A.,

Major Phipps, Comdg.; strength, 3 officers.

Headquarters Second Battalion, 116th F. A.,

Major Hampton, Comdg.; strength, 1 officer.

Medical Detachment,

Major McRae, Comdg.; strength, 4 officers, 18 enlisted men.

Battery "A,"

Captain Lowry, Comdg.; strength, 3 officers and 83 enlisted men.

Battery "B,"

Captain Smith, Comdg.; strength, 3 officers and 65 enlisted men.

Battery "C,"

Captain Sparkman, Comdg.; strength, 3 officers and 70 enlisted men.

Headquarters Det. and C. T. First Battalion,
Captain Cole, Comdg.; 3 officers and 49 enlisted men.

Battery "D,"

Captain Gilliam, Comdg.; strength 3 officers and 75 enlisted men.

Battery "E,"

Capt. Clemons, Comdg.; strength, 4 officers and 70 enlisted men.

Battery "F,"

Captain Smith, Comdg.; strength, 4 officers and 73 enlisted men.

Headquarters Detach. and C. T. Second Battalion,
Captain Lyle, Comdg.; strength, 4 officers and 73 enlisted men.

A total of 44 officers and 683 enlisted men were present at this camp.

4. *Drill Schedule:*

1. The entire schedule of training was on a progressive scale, with range finding as an objective.

The first five days in camp were devoted entirely to drawing of equipment and animals, cleaning material, standing gun drill, harnessing and unharnessing, equitation, mounted drill and other preliminary drills necessary to perfect the new men for duty on the range.

2. During these five days special training under expert supervision was given to all special troops, such as signal squads, scouts and instrument squads.

3. Battery, battalion and regimental details were given training in their particular function preparatory to actual experience on the range.

4. The recruits received valuable training and instructions through the carrying out of regular routine of caring for animals and material. Every effort was made to allow each man to become thoroughly acquainted in the proper use of the horse as a riding and a draft animal.

5. *Range Firing:*

1. Beginning with the sixth day, five days were spent on the range. Instruction on the range included the occupation of positions, firing problems with both shrapnel and H. E. shell. The work of the gun crews in handling their pieces was excellent considering the limited training they had received before their departure to the range.

2. The day's work was spent in the nature of a field problem with the regiment functioning as part of a brigade under an assumed tactical situation. Field orders were prepared by the Regimental Commander. Specific sectors and missions were assigned to battalions. A reconnaissance and occupation of position was conducted under service conditions as near as possible to simulate. After the day's firing, the regiment bivouaked for the night.

The regular interior guard was maintained for the training of men.

The weather was ideal for a trip of this kind, the moon was full, and the entire trip was enjoyed by both officers and enlisted men.

On the coming of the morning the regiment moved back to camp, which concluded its field training.

6. *Method of Instruction:*

1. The instruction at camp this year was done almost entirely by the officers of the 116th Field Artillery. In fact, the administration and training of the regiment was

left in the hands of its own officers. Valuable guidance and assistance was rendered by the two regular army officers on permanent duty with the 116th Field Artillery.

7. *Material:*

1. The material as furnished by camp headquarters was satisfactory for the use of the regiment with the slight exception of a few American 75 guns that were assigned for our use.

2. The horses were of a fair quality, but not in sufficient numbers to allow the best results in training.

It is the opinion of the Commanding Officer of the 116th F. A. that all material and animals for use in various regiments at Camp Bragg should be distributed in advance by regular army personnel rather than to be drawn by the National Guard units. Valuable time would be saved thereby.

8. *Sanitation:*

1. *Hygiene*—See report of surgeon.

9. *Discipline and Courtesy:*

1. The most rigid military discipline and courtesy was insisted upon by the officers of the regiment at all times. It is my belief that the results obtained from the time of our departure from our home stations until the return to the State was most excellent. The proper military salutes and observance of military customs and dress were required on all occasions. Favorable comment was heard everywhere on comparative set-up of our men and troops from other States.

10. *Esprit de Corps:*

1. This encampment was the first gathering of all the units of the regiment since its organization.

2. It was very gratifying to see the real interest and spirit shown by all organizations on their union as a regiment.

3. Regimental esprit was developed in every possible way. It is my belief that the entire personnel was proud of its regiment and was working for it continually. The morale of the troops was satisfactory at all times.

11. *Messing:*

1. Messing accommodations were considerably improved over last year and the arrangement of kitchens and method of supplying food to the various units of the regiment was entirely satisfactory. Quantity and quality of food as furnished by the camp authorities was up to the standard.

12. *Athletics:*

1. The Regimental Chaplain was appointed Athletic Officer and carried on a program of sports between various units of the 116th F. A. The men especially enjoyed baseball and the 116th Field Artillery in an elimination contest was the winner over all other state teams and teams from the regular army stationed at Fort Bragg. Boxing was confined almost wholly to picked men, who represented the regiment with great credit at the Weekly Post boxing exhibitions.

13. *Summary:*

1. The third annual encampment of the Field Artillery unit from Florida, which was the first annual encampment of the 116th Field Artillery as a regiment, was a decided success. The progress in training during the two weeks was very marked.

2. The men were interested in their work and were anxious to learn and become efficient field artillerymen.

3. Every effort was made to conduct the training in such a way that it would be a summer vacation to the men as well as a period of military training.

4. A clean, wholesome, moral atmosphere prevailed in all camp activities, and the Florida troops conducted themselves as gentlemen at all times.

5. The main criticism that I have to make was the failure on the part of the railroad officials to provide Pullman equipment for the troops to and from their home stations. The crowded cars and hot weather made the journey very uncomfortable and tiresome. Considerable comment was heard on all sides on this condition. This was especially true on account of the fact that troops from other States attending the same encampment were provided Pullman cars. It is hoped that every effort will be made to secure this equipment for the next period of summer training.

SUMTER L. LOWRY, JR.,

*Colonel 116th F. A., F. N. G.,
Commanding.*

Medical Detachment, 116th Field Artillery,
Benjamin Field, Tampa, Fla., January 31st, 1924.

SANITARY REPORT

1. The camp site was situated alongside a hill affording good natural drainage, the layout of the camp being similar to other army cantonments. There were sufficient number of mess halls and tents to quarter each battery.

The water was of excellent quality, soft, and piped in from Post Waterworks. Water was plentiful for all uses.

Drainage:

Drainage was surface, except in the case of kitchen waste, which was taken care of by sewer connected to the Post system.

Quarters:

3. The men were under pyramidal tents, eight men to a tent. They were policed at all times. Equipment was kept at the foot of the cots in an orderly and uniform manner. Tents were folded and equipment aired and sunned each Saturday. Tents were floored and drained. The battery streets were policed daily.

Mess Halls and Kitchens:

The kitchens were located at the end of the mess halls, containing wood ranges, ice box and sufficient kitchen utensils. All utensils were kept clean.

The garbage racks were in fair shape. It was necessary to repair most of them to make them flyproof. G. I. cans were furnished in sufficient numbers to take care of the garbage.

Garbage was removed daily by the Service Battery. The stands and grounds were kept policed.

Mess kits were washed in two G. I. cans, one filled with hot, soapy water; the other with clean, hot water for rinsing.

Latrines:

5. Latrines were of the regulation pit type, furnished with latrine boxes of the standard Q. M. type; seats closed automatically. Urinals were galvanized iron troughs, and drained into pit. Pits were oiled daily and burned out weekly. Urinal troughs were cleaned daily. Surroundings were well policed. One seat marked for use of venereal cases only.

Bath Houses:

6. Sprinkler type system was used. Waste water was carried off by surface drainage. The bath houses and surroundings were kept in good sanitary condition.

Picket Lines:

7. Picket lines were located in rear of each battery street. Hay racks were kept in good shape. Manure was kept off the picket lines, piled in rear, and was removed daily by post wagons.

Camp Sanitation:

8. For increasing the interest in camp sanitation among the officers and enlisted men of the regiment, the officers of the Medical Detachment announced in the beginning of the encampment that they would present an appropriate pennant to the battery or detachment making the highest general score for the duration of the encampment. Daily and detailed inspections were made and the average posted every day at officers' call. This had a very fine effect and stimulated a great deal of rivalry between the units of the regiment. Headquarters Detachment and Combat Train, Second Battalion, located at Bartow, Florida, won the pennant.

Health of the Command:

9. There were five cases of sickness. Morning sick call was kept at a minimum. No contagious or infectious diseases were developed. There were no serious accidental injuries of any kind. Four cases of venereal diseases developed from exposure to infection before camp. They were at incubative stage and not found at physical inspection before entraining for camp. These men were returned to their home stations.

In closing, I wish to thank the officers and enlisted men of the regiment for their co-operation and work in keeping the camp in such fine sanitary condition.

EARL H. McRAE,

Major, Medical Corps, Florida N. G.

APPENDIX D

Headquarters, Coast Artillery Corps,
Florida National Guard,
Jacksonville, Fla., January 14, 1925.

Subject: *Field Service Report 1924.*

To: *The Adjutant General of Florida.*

1. In accordance with letter Adjutant General's office, Florida, dated St. Augustine, Florida, January 6, 1925, the following report of the annual encampment of the First Separate Battalion, Coast Artillery, Florida National Guard, held at Fort Monroe, Virginia, August 1, 1925, to August 15, 1925, is submitted:

2. The First Separate Battalion, Coast Artillery, F. N. G., is comprised of the following units:

Headquarters, Jacksonville, Fla.

Headquarters Detachment, Jacksonville, Fla.

Battery "A," Jacksonville, Fla.

Medical Detachment, Key West, Fla.

Battery "B," Key West, Fla.

3. This organization left Jacksonville on a special train on the morning of July 31, 1924, arriving at Fort Monroe, Va., the following day at noon. An advance detail preceded and had the camp prepared and a hot meal for the troops upon arrival.

4. The first week of the encampment was taken up with preliminary instructions in artillery, methods of firing, care and use of material, including sub-caliber firing. Record firing was held during the second week, followed by reports and analysis of drill and practice. Both batteries made excellent showings in their target practice and were highly complimented by the Regular Army officers on duty as Instructors and the Coast Defense Commander.

5. The health, conduct and morale of the troops was excellent at all times, and the entertainment features both in the Florida camp and at the Post served to make the stay pleasant as well as instructive.

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STATE RIFLE COMPETITION.

ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT, CAMP JOHNSTON,
July 9th to 13th, 1924.

Subject: *Rifle Teams, State Rifle Competition.*

To: *The Adjutant General, State of Florida.*

1. The following companies furnished rifle teams to participate in the State Rifle Competition:

Companies "A," "B," "C," "E," "F," (reported July 12th, 8:00 A. M.); "G," "I," "K," "L," Regimental Headquarters Company, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 124th Infantry; Batteries "A" and "B," First Sep. Battalion, C. A. C., 220th Motor Transport Company, and Company "D," 106th Engineers.

2. The following are winners of the State Rifle Competition held at Camp Johnston, Florida, on July 10th to 12th, 1924:

200-Yard Slow Fire.

High—N. S. Bunting, Jacksonville Rifle Club, 44, gold medal, \$19.80.

Second—A. Dow, Jacksonville Rifle Club, 42, bronze medal, \$13.20.

200-Yard Rapid Fire.

High—Captain P. Ayers, Company "K," 46, gold medal, \$20.10.

Second—H. D. Potts, 118th Infantry (S. C.), 44, bronze medal, \$13.40.

300-Yard Rapid Fire.

High—Sergeant L. L. Leonard, Company "A," 44, gold medal, \$21.30.

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Second—William McNamee, Jacksonville Rifle Club, 43, bronze medal, \$14.20.

600-Yard Slow Fire.

High—A. Dow, Jacksonville Rifle Club, 96, gold medal, \$20.70.

Second—Private C. A. Hill, Company "K," 94, bronze medal, \$13.80.

1,000-Yard Slow Fire.

High—Captain P. Ayers, Company "K," 93, gold medal, \$14.40.

Second—Private A. J. Morway, Company "K," 92, bronze medal, \$9.60.

State Individual Championship.

Captain Preston Ayres, Company "K," 316, gold medal, \$21.50.

3. The following are winners of the State Pistol Competition held at Camp Johnston, Fla., on July 10th to 12th, 1924:

Military Pistol Match.

High—Major C. H. Wilson, 124th Infantry, 187, gold medal.

Second—Sam Marshall, U. S. Reserve, 171, bronze medal.

Police Pistol Match.

High—William Tomlinson, Jacksonville Police Department, 170, gold medal.

Second—E. L. Acosta, Jacksonville Police Department, 132, bronze medal.

Civilian Pistol Match.

High—William McNamee, Jacksonville Rifle Club, 132, gold medal.

Second—W. C. Motz, Winter Haven Rifle Club, 152, bronze medal.

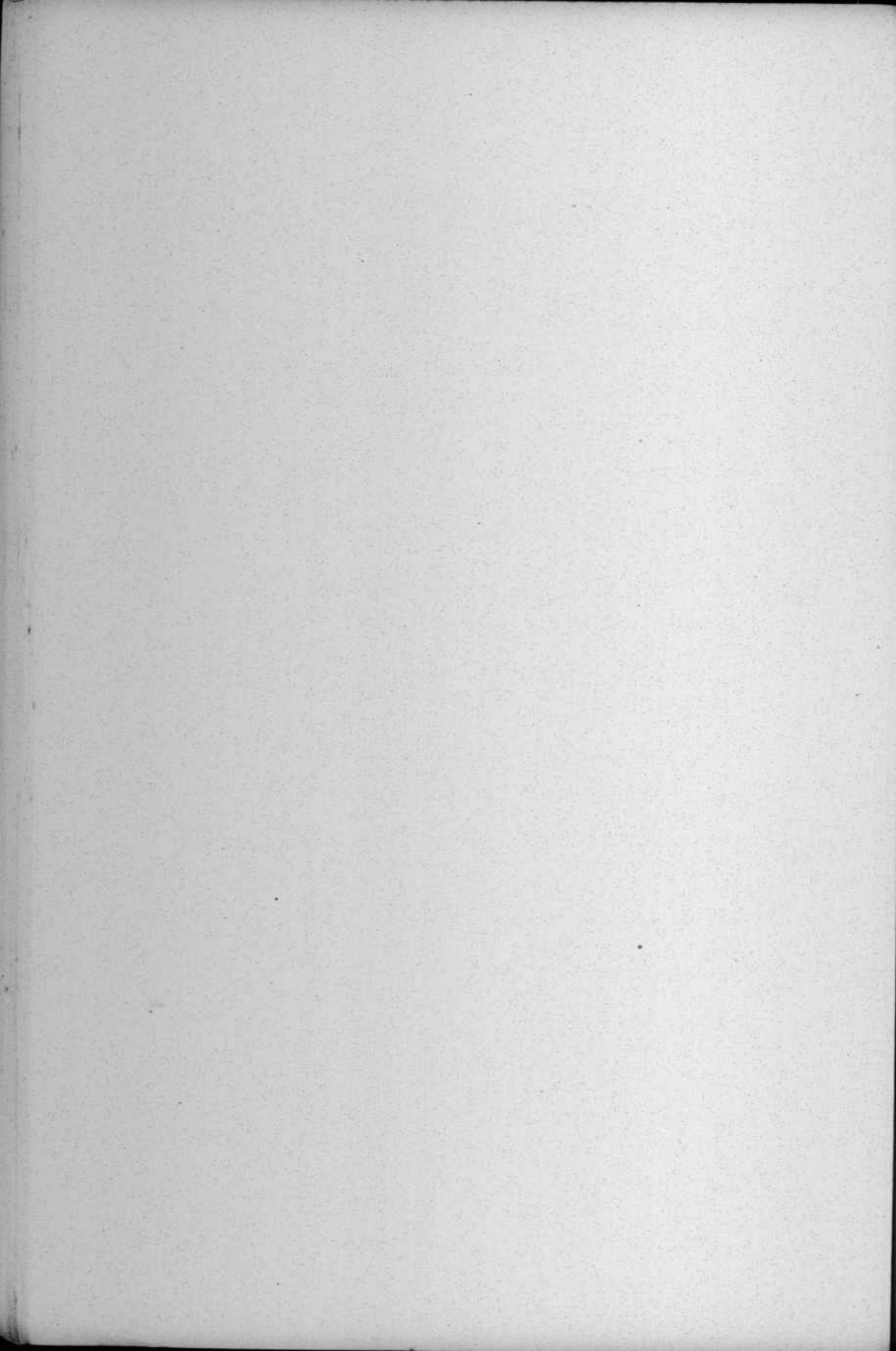
State Pistol Championship Match.

High—Major C. H. Wilson, 124th Infantry, 165, gold medal.

State Individual Championship.

Major C. H. Wilson, 124th Infantry, 352, no medal.

CAPTAIN J. ALVIN REGISTER,
Adjutant and Statistical Officer.



APPENDIX F

Daytona, Florida, November 28th, 1924.

Subject: *Report of the Thirty-second Annual Meeting of
the Military Surgeons of the United States.*

To: *The Adjutant General, St. Augustine, Fla.*

1. This meeting was held at San Antonio, Texas, which is the military center of the Ninth Corps Area and the Headquarters of the Second Division of U. S. Troops, with Fort Sam Houston as the center of activities.

2. Our train left Jacksonville at 8:45 Monday, and arrived in New Orleans Tuesday night, where we met the special Pullman coach from Washington, D. C., with about forty members of the Association from the States East and North, the majority of the surgeons being National Guard officers, with scattering members of the Reserve and Public Health Service.

3. The headquarters were in the St. Anthony Hotel, where all the meetings were held except the demonstrations, which was given us by the Regular Service at Kelly Field and Fort Sam Houston.

4. The first forenoon was occupied by addresses of the President and representatives of the Army and Navy, as well as short talks by the delegates of foreign countries, who are honorary members of the Association. They were the following officers: Colonel Joseph Usac, Assistant Surgeon General of the French Army; Lieutenant Colonel Robert Picque, French Army Medical Corps; Group Captain Martin Flack, Royal Air Force Medical Service of London; Lieutenant Colonel Jose Izquierdo, Senior Surgeon of the Army of Venezuela; Lieutenant Colonel Anton Pazdernik, Medical Service, Czecho-Slovak Army; Lieutenant Commander Chozo Tanaka, Imperial Japanese Naval

Service; Captain Kenji Ibuka, Imperial Japanese Army Medical Corps; Major Cesar Muxioy Torres, Cuban Army Medical Corps, and a delegate from Mexico.

5. In the afternoon we gathered at Kelly Field to witness a demonstration by the Air Service and the Chemical Warfare Service of the Regular Army, which combined with airplane machine gun attacks, the bombing by heavy bombing planes, one of the most interesting being the Medical Department rescue plane carrying litter, which is used in bringing men from long distances with rapidity. After this, a demonstration of the medical examination of flyers was made, which concluded the day's work.

6. On Friday the main demonstration of interest was the setting up and equipping of a mobile hospital which accommodated one-third of a division in service. After this, a luncheon was served by the Medical Regiment, and we returned to the hotel.

7. Saturday, November 15th, was taken up by a business meeting, election and installation of officers, and miscellaneous business, then all were taken to the Army Medical Supply Depot, where an inspection was made of the same. In the afternoon a sight-seeing trip was made around San Antonio, after which we started on our return trip, arriving home the following Monday.

GUY A. KLOCK,

Major Medical Corps, Florida National Guard.

APPENDIX G

STATE OF FLORIDA MILITARY DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE ADJUTANT GENERAL.
ST. AUGUSTINE.

December 1, 1924.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM No. 1.

1. Hereafter the office of the Adjutant General will be subdivided into the following sections:

Administrative Section,
Personnel Section,
Training Section,
Finance and Supply Section.

2. *Executive Officer.* This officer is responsible for the supervision and proper co-ordination of all work in the office of the Adjutant General. He will see that the Adjutant General is supplied with correct information concerning the administration, organization, equipment, training, discipline and efficiency of the National Guard, and is responsible that the decisions of that officer are properly promulgated and made effective by all concerned.

3. *Administrative Section.* This section is charged, in general, with the office administration and, specifically, with the following duties:

Compilation and recording of the history of organizations.

Compilation of statistical information on all military subjects.

Co-operation with ex-service men and their dependents in seeking the relief and assistance provided for them by law.

Correspondence.

Custody and distribution of public documents.

Filing.

Filing and care of records other than purely personal records, and of other documents and papers.

Plans for mobilization.

Posting of office reference books and order files.

Preparation of annual reports.

Report of the Adjutant General.

Report of small arms firing.

Preparation and dispatch of mail.

Preparation of statistical data concerning the operations of the Military Department.

Printing, multigraphing and mimeographing.

Publication and distribution of orders (other than personnel) and circulars.

Receipt and distribution of mail.

Supervision and care of trophies and relics.

Supervision of office library.

4. *Personnel Section.* This section is charged, in general, with all activities concerning the personnel of the National Guard and, specifically, with the following duties:

Action in case of reported deserters.

Action upon drill and strength reports, rosters and reports of changes.

Administrative examination of all personnel papers.

Administrative examination of Federal pay rolls covering armory drill.

Administrative action on matters involving personnel.

Appointment, promotion, assignment, Federal recognition, transfer, classification and separation of National Guard officers.

Custody of purely personnel records.

Compilation and systematic recording of individual records of Florida soldiers in all wars.

Discharge and transfer of enlisted men.

Efficiency reports upon officers.

Examination of candidates for commissioned office and of officers for promotion.

Maintenance of rosters of active, reserve, retired and unassigned lists.

Maintenance of individual marksmanship records.

Posting of personnel charts and preparation of office statistical reports.

Preparation of directories of the National Guard.

Preparation of Federal pay rolls for officers on duty at State Headquarters.

Preparation of personnel orders.

Preparation of statements of service.

Preparation and submission to War Department of consolidated strength reports.

Receipt, administrative examination and action upon strength reports.

Reserve, matters relating to.

Transfer of personnel to or from National Guard Reserve.

5. *Training Section.* This section is charged, in general, with supervision of all activities concerning the training of the National Guard and, specifically, with the following duties:

Administrative action on matters involving training.

Award of marksmanship insignia and trophies.

Preparation of orders relating to training.

Selection of personnel for State rifle competitions and the preparation of instructions relative thereto.

Selection of personnel for State teams for national matches.

Supervision of training schedules for armory drill and camps of instruction.

6. *Finance and Supply Section.* This section is charged, in general, with all activities concerning the finance and supply of the National Guard, and specifically, with the following duties:

Administrative action on matters involving finance and supply.

Administrative examination and audit of financial reports required of National Guard officers.

Administrative examination of reports of survey.

Audits of all accounts against the Government or State.

Care and maintenance of offices at State Military Headquarters, and the furnishings and equipment therein.

Control of civilian labor at State Arsenal and State Camp Grounds.

Custody and upkeep of State Camp Grounds and Rifle Range.

Disbursing of Federal and State funds.

Examination of bonds of officers and their maintenance in force.

Leasing of armories and rifle ranges.

Maintenance and repair of buildings and grounds of State Arsenal and all other State-owned buildings used for military purposes.

Preparation and prosecution of claims upon bonds.

Preparation of estimates of funds, Federal and State.

Preparation of estimates for equipment and supplies.

Procurement and distribution of animals and motor transportation, and matters relating to the custody, care and use of same.

Procurement, supervision and furnishing of transportation.

Purchase of office supplies.

Receipt, issue, distribution, storage, expenditure and transfer of equipment and supplies, and accounting therefor.

Supervision of matters relating to insurance upon public property.

7. Duties and responsibilities not specifically assigned under this memorandum will remain with the Adjutant General.

8. The Chiefs of Sections are charged with the duty of preparing and submitting for the action of the Adjutant General plans and policies relating to matters dealt with in their respective sections.

9. The usual channel of office communication will be through the Executive Officer to or from the Adjutant General, but Chiefs of Sections will have direct access to the latter at all times, the only restriction imposed being that the subject matter to be presented or discussed shall not be such as concerns other sections unless the Chiefs of such Sections are present.

10. All administrative questions concerning which policies have been established, unless a change of policy is indicated, will be disposed of by the section to which they pertain. Those which require the establishment of policies, or the change of policies already established, will be submitted for the decision of the Adjutant General, which decision, when given, will govern in the future disposition of questions of like import.

11. In addition to the duties of an Adjutant General, the Adjutant General of Florida is the Chief of Staff to the Governor, and, in that capacity, is charged with the administration of the military forces of the State. The officers of the National Guard on duty at State Headquarters are primarily and fundamentally his assistants, and any effort upon their part at variance with his policies and decisions, or which may tend to commit him in advance to a particular line of action, would be highly improper. A policy once determined and indicated by the Adjutant General must become at once the policy of the entire force.

12. A Chief of Section who presents a subject for the consideration of the Adjutant General should present at the same time all available data on the question involved, including orders and regulations applicable and the previous decision on similar subjects.

13. The Chief of a Section is responsible for the action taken on any communication, report or memorandum referred to his section. Many communications received will contain subject matter which pertains to two or more sections. In such cases, the Chief of the Section which disposes of the communication will be responsible that the action taken is the collective action of all of the sections affected. Only in this manner can proper co-ordination be obtained. When two or more sections affected are unable to agree as to proper action, the question, with pertinent data, will be submitted for the decision of the Adjutant General.

J. CLIFFORD R. FOSTER,

The Adjutant General.

APPENDIX H

STATE OF FLORIDA MILITARY DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE ADJUTANT GENERAL
STATE ARSENAL, ST. AUGUSTINE

February 1, 1924.

GENERAL ORDERS, No. 1.

1. The following schedule of dates is announced for the Annual Federal Armory Inspection to be made under paragraph 522, National Guard Regulations, as amended by Changes 3, series 1923:

Staff Corps and Departments.

St. Augustine,	State Headquarters, (d)	February 8
	State Arsenal,	
Jacksonville,	State Camp Grounds,	February 7

31st. DIVISION TROOPS:

154th Infantry.

Jacksonville,	Headquarters, (d)	February 6
Jacksonville,	Headquarters Company, (d)	February 6
St. Augustine,	Service Company, (d)	February 8
Jacksonville,	Howitzer Company, (d)	February 6
Sanford,	Headquarters 1st Battalion, (d)	February 14
Daytona,	Company "A," (d)	February 11
Miami,	Company "B," (d)	February 13
West Palm Beach,	Company "C," (d)	February 12
Sanford,	Company "D," (b)	February 14
Jacksonville,	Headquarters 2nd Battalion, (d)	February 6
Jacksonville,	Hdqrs. Co., 2nd Battalion, (d)	February 6
Live Oak,	Company "E," (b)	February 11
Jacksonville,	Company "F," (d)	February 6
Starke,	Company "G," (b)	February 13
Lake City,	Company "H," (b)	February 12
Tarpon Springs,	Headquarters, 3rd Battalion (b)	February 19
Tarpon Springs,	Hdqtrs. Co., 3rd Battalion, (b)	February 19
Orlando,	Company "K," (b)	February 15
St. Petersburg,	Company "L," (b)	February 18
Brooksville,	Company "M," (b)	February 20
Sanford,	Medical Detachment, (b)	February 14

116th Field Artillery.

Tampa,	Headquarters, (c)	February 8
Fort Myers,	Headquarters Battery, (c)	February 11
Winter Haven,	Service Battery, (c)	February 14
Tampa,	Hdqtrs., 1st Battalion, (c)	February 8
Tampa,	Hdqtrs. Det. & C.Tr., 1st Bn., (c)	February 8
Tampa,	Battery "A," (c)	February 8
Tampa,	Battery "B," (c)	February 8
Tampa,	Battery "C," (c)	February 8
Bartow,	Hdqtrs. Det. & C. Tr., 2nd B (c)	February 13
Lakeland,	Battery "D," ((c)	February 15
Plant City,	Battery "E," (c)	February 18
Arcadia,	Battery "F," (c)	February 8
Tampa,	Medical Detachment, (c)	February 8

114th Engineers.

Panama City,	Company "D," (e)	March 6
Century,	Company "E," (e)	March 5

Quartermaster Troops.

Jacksonville,	114th Motorcycle Company, (d)	February 6
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FIXED DEFENSE TROOPS:

1st (Separate) Battalion, Coast Artillery Corps.

Jacksonville,	Headquarters, (a)	February 6
Jacksonville,	437th Company, (a)	February 6
Jacksonville,	Headquarters Detachment, (a)	February 6
Key West,	438th Company, (f)	February 15

CORPS TROOPS:

Quartermaster Troops.

Jacksonville,	220th Motor Transport Co., (d)	February 6
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Note: The letters in parenthesis following the designation of each organization indicates the officer who will make the inspection, viz:

- (a) Colonel F. E. Johnston, C. A. C. (DOL).
- (b) Lieut. Col. Wm. P. Screws, Inf. (DOL).
- (c) Major R. D. Johnson, F. A. (DOL).
- (d) Major J. C. Fairfax, Inf. (DOL).
- (e) First Lieut. Harry Wolfe, C. E. (DOL).
- (f) First Lieut. A. H. Wilson, C. A. C.

2. The inspection will cover personnel—particularly as to organization and strength; discipline—particularly as to attendance and means employed for enforcing same; efficiency—as to appearance and knowledge and execution of drill; armories—as to suitability, security and condition; property—as to completeness of equipment, condition and care of arms, uniforms, etc., and records—as to completeness, method of keeping, etc.

3. Commanding officers are required to make all necessary preparation for this inspection and to take such steps as will insure the largest possible attendance. The commanding officer of each post will get in touch with the Inspector as soon as possible after his arrival in the city.

BY COMMAND OF THE GOVERNOR

J. CLIFFORD R. FOSTER,
Adjutant General.

STATE OF FLORIDA
MILITARY DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE ADJUTANT GENERAL
STATE ARSENAL, ST. AUGUSTINE

February 3, 1924.

GENERAL ORDERS.

No. 2.

EMPLOYMENT OF CARETAKERS.

1. It is important that no individual be assigned duties or responsibilities with regard to the care and supervision of armories, arms, or other military property, who are not amenable to military control, and whose status is not definitely and officially established. Therefore, only persons who are duly commissioned or enlisted in the National Guard will be so employed unless, for cogent reasons, exceptions to this rule are made by action at this office, and no person will be employed as a caretaker, or to have supervision over armories, military property, or animals, unless authority therefor has first been applied for and obtained from this office. This requirement will apply whether the employee is to be paid from Federal, State, organization or other funds.

a. When authority to employ a caretaker has been obtained, such employment will be made effective by the issuance of an order by the commanding officer having jurisdiction. The order will give the name and rank of the appointee and such designation as will be descriptive of the duties he is to perform. If necessary, the designation will be followed by such brief outline of the duties to be performed as will clearly but generally define the

powers and responsibilities of the employee. The order will also refer to the letter of authorization by date, and state the compensation to be paid, and from what source; that is, that payment will be made from Federal, State or organization funds, as the case may be.

b. Whenever a change is made in the employment of an authorized caretaker, an order will be issued announcing the relief of the former caretaker and the appointment of his successor.

c. Copies of appointment orders will be immediately mailed to the Adjutant General.

d. Nothing in this order will be construed as in conflict with the provisions of the National Guard Regulations concerning the employment of caretakers. It will be borne in mind that two copies of the order of appointment must accompany all pay rolls for caretakers employed from Federal funds.

MONTHLY REPORT ON CHANGES.

2. The Commanding Officer of each unit of the Florida National Guard will hereafter on the first day of each month prepare a report showing all changes in the personnel of his unit which have occurred during the preceding month. Form 648, "Monthly Report of Changes," will be used, and an initial supply of this form will be furnished without requisition.

a. In support of all gains by enlistments or reenlistments, shown on the Monthly Report of Changes, there will be forwarded copies of enlistment papers and reports of physical examination. In support of all losses shown by discharge, desertion or death, the Service Record of the soldier will be forwarded. Care will be taken to see that Service Records are fully posted before being sent in to the A. G. O. so as to show the complete history of the soldier's service.

DETAIL OF INSTRUCTOR.

3. The following excerpt from paragraph 6, War Department Special Order No. 23, dated January 28, 1924, is published:

"Major Ray W. Baker, Field Artillery, is relieved from detail as Instructor, Indiana National Guard, with station at Indianapolis, Indiana, and is detailed under the provisions of Section 100 of the Act of Congress, approved June 3, 1916, as Instructor, Florida National Guard, and, upon the expiration of such leave of absence as may be granted him will proceed to Lakeland, Florida, take station, and report by letter to the Commanding General Fourth Corps Area for instructions, and will notify the Governor of the State of his arrival at station.

MUSTER IN OF NEW ORGANIZATIONS.

4. The following new organizations have been mustered into the service:

116th Field Artillery.

The organization of this Regiment having been completed, its Headquarters have been established at Tampa, and the following named officers have been appointed and assigned thereto:

Colonel Sumter L. Lowry, Commanding.
 Lieutenant Colonel Homer W. Hesterly, Executive Officer.
 Captain Samuel G. Harrison, Adjutant.
 Captain Jerome A. Waterman, Intelligence, and Plans and Training Officer.
 First Lieutenant Charles A. Palmely, Liaison Officer.
 Chaplain Elmer A. Albritton, (with station at Lake Wales).

154th Infantry.

Headquarters Company, First Battalion, at Sanford, Florida, January 18, 1924:

First Lieutenant Leroy P. Chittenden, Commanding.

Second Lieutenant Percy A. Mero.

Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, at Jacksonville, Florida, December 5, 1923:

Second Lieutenant Albert E. Barrs, Commanding.

Company "I," at Palmetto, Florida, December 20th, 1923:

Captain Galus A. Rowlett, Commanding.

First Lieutenant John F. Owen.

Second Lieutenant Francis N. Theriot.

Band Section, Service Company, at Jacksonville, Florida, January 25, 1924:

Warrant Officer Joseph Warren Berry, Band Leader.

By COMMAND OF THE GOVERNOR:

J. CLIFFORD R. FOSTER,

Adjutant General.

STATE OF FLORIDA
MILITARY DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE ADJUTANT GENERAL
STATE ARSENAL, ST. AUGUSTINE

February 5, 1924.

GENERAL ORDERS,
No. 3.

1. Woodrow Wilson, ex-President of the United States, died at his home in Washington, D. C., February 3, 1924.

Out of respect to his memory and at the request of the Secretary of War, it is ordered that the flags at the State Arsenal and upon all armories of the National Guard of Florida, be displayed at half mast for thirty days.

The colors of the Regiments will be draped and officers will wear the prescribed badges of mourning on their sleeves and sabres for a like period.

At posts, when it is practicable to do so, salutes will be fired on Wednesday, February 6th, the day of the funeral. Thirteen guns will be fired at dawn, followed by a single gun at half hour intervals throughout the day, and at sunset, at the close of the day, forty-eight guns.

BY COMMAND OF THE GOVERNOR:

J. CLIFFORD R. FOSTER,
Adjutant General.

STATE OF FLORIDA
MILITARY DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE ADJUTANT GENERAL
STATE ARSENAL, ST. AUGUSTINE

February 12th, 1924.

GENERAL ORDERS,
No. 4.

1. The Secretary of War having, under date of February 9th, 1924, approved the recommendations of the Allocation Board for changes in the destination of the Coast Artillery Corps organizations of this State, the new designations are published for the information and guidance of all concerned:

First Separate Battalion, Coast Artillery, with Headquarters at Jacksonville.

Headquarters Detachment, 1st Separate Battalion, Jacksonville.

Battery "A" (formerly 437th Company), Jacksonville.

Battery "B" (formerly 438th Company), Key West.

BY COMMAND OF THE GOVERNOR:

J. CLIFFORD R. FOSTER,
Adjutant General.

STATE OF FLORIDA
MILITARY DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE ADJUTANT GENERAL
STATE ARSENAL, ST. AUGUSTINE

February 21, 1924.

GENERAL ORDERS,
No. 5.

1 Announcement is made with deep regret of the death of Lieutenant Colonel Abraham D. Williams, Florida National Guard, retired, which occurred at Jacksonville, Florida, at noon, February 20th.

Abraham D. Williams was born at Albany, Georgia, August 12, 1847.

Colonel Williams entered the service of the State by appointment as Captain and Assistant Surgeon on October 27, 1899, and was assigned to duty with the Battalion of Field Artillery, Florida State Troops. He was subsequently granted leave of absence to permit of his entering the military service of the United States during the War with Spain and the Philippine Insurrection. He was appointed Major in the Medical Corps, National Guard of Florida, August 5, 1904, and assigned to duty with the First Infantry, and was promoted Lieutenant Colonel February 2, 1907, and assigned to the Staff of the Commanding General, First Brigade, as Chief Surgeon. To conform to the organization prescribed by law, he was discharged January 1, 1910, and, on January 15, 1910, was appointed Major in the Medical Corps and reassigned as Chief Surgeon of the First Brigade, in which capacity he continued to serve until the discontinuation of headquarters of the Brigade on November 17, 1912, when he was returned to duty in the Medical Corps.

The record of this officer in the military service of the United States is as follows: Appointed Contract Surgeon under contract dated June 24, 1898, contract annulled October 31, 1899. Reappointed Contract Surgeon under contract dated August 24, 1900, and this contract annulled May 27, 1901. Appointed Assistant Surgeon United States Volunteers with rank of Captain May 27, 1901, served in the Philippine Islands from May 28, 1901, to January 13, 1903, and was honorably discharged from the service February 1, 1903.

The service of this officer in the Confederate Army during the War between the States was as follows: "Enlisted in Company I, 47th Georgia Infantry, in August, 1862, and was appointed Sergeant. Participated in fourteen battles and was wounded four times. Served until the close of the war and was paroled in April, 1865."

Promoted from grade of Major to that of Lieutenant Colonel upon retirement by reason of service in war.

The funeral of the late Lieutenant Colonel Williams will be held from his residence at 209 West Ashley Street, at 3:00 p. m., Sunday, February 24th. The Commanding Officer of the Florida National Guard at the Post of Jacksonville will furnish an appropriate escort.

BY COMMAND OF THE GOVERNOR:

J. CLIFFORD R. FOSTER,
The Adjutant General.

STATE OF FLORIDA
MILITARY DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE ADJUTANT GENERAL
STATE ARSENAL, ST. AUGUSTINE

April 24, 1924.

GENERAL ORDERS,
No. 6.

1. The following announcement is made of schools and camps of instruction which will constitute the summer field exercises of the Florida National Guard, as approved by the Commanding General of the 4th Corps Area:

SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION FOR LINE OFFICERS.

a. A School of Instruction in Administrative Duties for line officers of the Florida National Guard will be held at the State Arsenal, St. Augustine, Florida, May 19th to 21st, inclusive.

STATE RIFLE COMPETITION.

b. The Annual State Rifle Competition will be held at the State Camp Grounds, Duval County, Florida, June 9th to 11th, inclusive. The competition will be held under the conditions prescribed in paragraphs 403 to 493, National Guard Regulations, as amended, and will be participated in by all organizations armed with the rifle. The program of the competition and detail of the authorized executive personnel will be announced in subsequent orders. Provisions will be made during the State Rifle Competition for a preliminary try-out of those who desire to compete for place on the team which will this year represent the Florida National Guard in the National Matches. At this preliminary try-out twice the number of authorized competitors and alternates will be selected, and a definite course of practice firing will be prescribed for these competitors. A final try-out for the selection of the team will be held during the encampment at the State Camp Grounds July 13th to 27th.

CAMPS OF INSTRUCTION.

c. The following schedule is announced of fifteen-day camps of instruction to be held during 1924 for the several organizations of the Florida National Guard:

State Camp Grounds, Duval County, Florida, July 13th to 27th, inclusive.

State Staff Corps and Departments.

154th Infantry.

Companies "D" and "E," 114th Engineers.

Motorcycle Company No. 114.

Motor Transport Company No. 220.

Fort Monroe, Virginia, August 1st to 15th:

1st Separate Battalion, C. A. C.

Fort Bragg, North Carolina, August 2nd to 16th:

116th Field Artillery.

All arrangements for the transportation of troops in connection with these camps of instruction will be made by the State Quartermaster, and further details of instruction concerning these tours of duty will be covered in subsequent orders.

NATIONAL MATCHES.

d. The State of Florida will be represented in the National Matches to be held this year at Camp Perry, Ohio, commencing in September, by a team from the Florida National Guard. The officers of this team will be named at the State Rifle Competition and the competing personnel will be selected as provided for under subdivision (b) of this paragraph.

2. Major Ray W. Barker, Field Artillery (DOL), having reported to the Governor in compliance with paragraph 6 of S. O. No. 23, War Department, announcement is made of his assignment as Instructor of Field Artillery, National Guard of Florida, with station at Lakeland, Florida.

3. The following extract from War Department Special Orders No. 70, paragraph 3, is published for the information of the Florida National Guard:

"3. The following named officers are designated as students at the Command and General Staff School for the 1924-25 course, and will report in person to the Commandant, Command and General Staff School, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, between August 20th and September 3, 1924:

"Major Augustine A. Hofmann, Instructor, National Guard, St. Augustine, Florida.

"Each of the officers herein named will stand relieved from assignment and station and from whatever duty he may be performing in time to enable him to comply with the above order. The travel directed is necessary in the military service."

(Note: In subsequent orders, Major Hofmann has been granted leave of absence from July 20th.)

4. First Lieutenant H. W. Collins, Corps Engineers, U. S. Army (DOL), having reported to the Governor in compliance with orders from the Headquarters 4th Corps Area, announcement is made of his assignment as Instructor of Engineer Troops, National Guard of Florida. Lieutenant Collins' station is at Poplarville, Mississippi.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEW UNITS.

5. Acting upon the petition of certain citizens of Sanford, Florida, a unit of the 154th Infantry has been organized and mustered into the service at that point. This unit was extended Federal recognition February 18, 1924, and will be known and designated as Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 154th Infantry.

a. Acting upon the petitions of certain citizens of Jacksonville, a unit of the 154th Infantry has been organized and mustered into the service at that point. This unit was extended Federal recognition January 2, 1924, and will be known and designated as Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 154th Infantry.

b. Acting upon the petition of certain citizens of Palmetto, a unit of the 154th Infantry has been organized and mustered into the service at that point. This unit was extended Federal recognition January 16, 1924, and will be known and designated as Company "I," 154th Infantry.

c. Acting upon the petition of certain citizens of Jacksonville, a band of the 154th Infantry has been organized and mustered into the service at that point. This organization was extended Federal recognition March 19, 1924, and will be known and designated as

Band Section, Service Company, 154th Infantry.

d. Acting upon the petition of certain citizens of Tampa, a unit of the 116th Field Artillery has been organized and mustered into the service at that point. This organization will be known and designated as

Headquarters 2nd Battalion, 116th Field Artillery.

e. Acting upon the petition of certain citizens of Jacksonville, a unit of the Coast Artillery Corps has been organized and mustered into the service at that point. This organization was extended Federal recognition November 14, 1923, and will be known and designated as

Headquarters 1st Separate Battalion, Coast Artillery Corps.

f. Acting upon the petition of certain citizens of Jacksonville, a unit of the Coast Artillery Corps has been organized and mustered into the service at that point. This unit was extended Federal recognition November 14, 1923, and will be known and designated as

Headquarters Detachment, 1st Separate Battalion, Coast Artillery Corps.

BY COMMAND OF THE GOVERNOR:

J. CLIFFORD R. FOSTER,
Adjutant General.

STATE OF FLORIDA
MILITARY DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE ADJUTANT GENERAL
STATE ARSENAL, ST. AUGUSTINE

May 27th, 1924.

GENERAL ORDERS,
No. 7.

STATE RIFLE COMPETITIONS.

1. Under authority from the Chief of the Militia Bureau, the date for the State Rifle Competition, as announced in General Orders No. 6 c.s., this office, is changed, and the competition will be held on the rifle range at the State Camp Grounds July 10th to 12th, inclusive. The competition will be conducted under the conditions prescribed by paragraphs 21 to 24, inclusive, National Guard Regulations, as amended, and will be participated in by teams of five from all organizations armed with the rifle.

NATIONAL MATCHES.

2. The provisions of paragraph 1-b, G. O. No. 6 c.s., which relate to the selection of a team to represent the Florida National Guard in the National Matches of 1924, are hereby rescinded. The personnel of the National Guard team to represent the State of Florida in the National Matches will be selected by competition during the State Rifle Competition, and the rules for the try-out to select the team will be prescribed in the program for the State Competition.

BY COMMAND OF THE GOVERNOR:

J. CLIFFORD R. FOSTER,
Adjutant General.

STATE OF FLORIDA
MILITARY DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE ADJUTANT GENERAL
STATE ARSENAL, ST. AUGUSTINE

May 28th, 1924.

GENERAL ORDERS,
No. 8.

CHANGES IN DESIGNATIONS OF DIVISIONAL TROOPS.

1. The Secretary of War having approved the changing of the designation of the National Guard Infantry Division made up of troops from the States of Alabama, Florida, Louisiana and Mississippi, and of certain units thereof, and having, under date of

May 12, 1924, approved a change in the numerical designation of the Infantry Brigade to which the Infantry troops of this State are assigned, the new designations of all units of the Florida National Guard are announced and will be effective from this date:

31ST INFANTRY DIVISION.

Former Designation.
 Headquarters, 39th Division.
 Special troops, 39th Division:
 39th Military Police Company.
 Motorcycle Company, No. 114.
 77th Infantry Brigade:
 154th Infantry.
 64th Field Artillery Brigade:
 Headquarters Battery, 64th
 Field Artillery Brigade.
 116th Field Artillery.
 114th Engineers:
 Headquarters 2nd Battalion
 114th Engineers.
 114th Medical Regiment:
 Headquarters, Hospital Bat-
 talion, 114th Medical Regi-
 ment.
 Hospital Company, No. 141.

New Designation.
 Headquarters, 31st Division.
 Special Troops, 31st Division:
 31st Military Police Company.
 Motorcycle Company, No. 106.
 62nd Infantry Brigade:
 124th Infantry.
 56th Field Artillery Brigade:
 Headquarters Battery, 56th
 Field Artillery Brigade.
 116th Field Artillery.
 106th Engineers:
 Headquarters 2nd Battalion,
 106th Engineers.
 106th Medical Regiment:
 Headquarters, Hospital Bat-
 talion, 106th Medical Regi-
 ment.
 Hospital Company, No. 117.

BY COMMAND OF THE GOVERNOR:

J. CLIFFORD R. FOSTER,
Adjutant General.

STATE OF FLORIDA
 MILITARY DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE ADJUTANT GENERAL
 STATE ARSENAL, ST. AUGUSTINE

June 5, 1924.

GENERAL ORDERS,
 No. 9.

STATE RIFLE COMPETITION.

1. Pursuant to authority given by letter from the Militia Bureau dated March 18, 1924, the Florida State Rifle Competition for 1924 will be held on the rifle range at the State Camp Grounds, July 10th to 12th, inclusive.

2. Teams of five members will be detailed from all Companies of the 124th Infantry, 106th Engineers, 1st Separate Battalion, Coast Artillery, and from Motor Transport Company No. 220. In addition, the commanding officer of each lettered company of Infantry and Engineers, of Motor Transport Company No. 220.

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and of each battery of Coast Artillery, will detail two enlisted men for duty as markers, scorers, telephone operators, etc. The details provided for under this paragraph will be made in company orders not later than July 1, 1924, and copies of such orders will on that date be forwarded to the Adjutant General, the regimental or separate battalion commander, and to the U. S. Property and Disbursing Officer.

3. In addition to the competitors to be detailed under the preceding paragraph, the individual matches will be open to all officers and enlisted men of the Florida National Guard who may voluntarily attend, at their own expense, and certain of the matches, as hereinafter indicated, will be open to civilian competitors.

4. The executive personnel for the matches will be announced in subsequent orders.

5. Messes will be established at the camp, and subsistence will be provided for the enlisted personnel present under orders. For all others a mess charge of one dollar per day will be made.

6. The Commanding Officer of each organization required under this order to detail competitors and enlisted personnel, will apply for the necessary railroad transportation by letter to the U. S. P. & O. Officer, *not later than July 1, 1924.*

7. The departure of the executive personnel and all competitors from the home station should be so timed as to enable them to arrive at the Camp Grounds on the evening preceding the opening of the competition—July 9th.

8. Quarters and cots will be provided for all competitors, but they should come supplied with such bedding and clothing as will be required for their comfort. All military companies will be required to wear the field service uniform, without coats.

9. The travel directed under this order is necessary in the public service.

PROGRAM OF MATCHES.

10. The following is a schedule of the matches of the State Rifle Competition:

Thursday, July 10th.

10:00 a. m.—200-Yard Match.

Slow fire, 200 yards. Target "A." Ten shots standing. Open to any one.

Time limit: One minute per shot. No sighting shots.

Entrance fee: 50 cents.

Prizes: First, gold medal, and 60 per cent of entrance fees; second prize, bronze medal and 40 per cent of entrance fees.

1:00 p. m.—200-Yard Rapid Fire Match.

Rapid fire, 200 yards. Target "A." Ten shots kneeling or sitting, from standing. Open to any one.

Battle or leaf sight.

Time limit: One minute.

Entrance fee: 50 cents.

Prizes: First, gold medal, and 60 per cent of entrance fees; second, bronze medal, and 40 per cent of entrance fees.

3:00 p. m.—300-Yard Rapid Fire Match.

Rapid fire, 300 yards. Target "A." Ten shots, prone from standing. Battle sight or leaf sight. Open to any one.

Time limit: One minute and ten seconds.

Entrance fee: 50 cents.

Prizes: First, gold medal, and 60 per cent of entrance fees; second, bronze medal, and 40 per cent of entrance fees.

Friday, July 11th.

8:00 a. m.—600-Yard Match.

Slow fire, 600 yards. Target "B." Two sighting shots, and 20 shots for record. No artificial rests.

Entrance fee: 50 cents.

Prizes: First, gold medal, and 60 per cent of entrance fees; second, bronze medal, and 40 per cent of entrance fees.

9:00 a. m.—Military Pistol Match.

Open to members of the Army, National Guard or Officers Reserve Corps.

Arm: Military pistol.

Course: Ten shots at 25 yards and 10 shots at 50 yards. Target "L."

Entrance fee: One dollar.

Prizes: First, gold medal, and 60 per cent of entrance fees; second, bronze medal, and 40 per cent of entrance fees.

11:00 a. m.—Police Pistol Match.

Open to members of any accredited police force or body.

Arm: Any of greater caliber than .22, and not having a barrel longer than six inches.

Course: Same as in Military Pistol Match.

Entrance fee: One dollar.

Prizes: First, gold medal, and 60 per cent of entrance fees; second, bronze medal, and 40 per cent of entrance fees.

1:00 p. m.—Civilian Pistol Match.

Open to any civilian.

Course and condition of fire: Same as for Police Pistol Match.

Entrance fee: One dollar.

Prizes: First, gold medal, and 60 per cent of entrance fees; second, bronze medal, and 40 per cent of entrance fees.

1:00 p. m.—1,000-Yard Match.

Slow fire, 1,000 yards. Target "C." Two sighting shots and 20 shots for record, prone. No artificial rests.

Entrance fee: 50 cents.

Prizes: First, gold medal, and 60 per cent of entrance fees; second, bronze medal, and 40 per cent of entrance fees.

2:00 p. m.—State Pistol Championship Match.

Same course and conditions as Police Pistol Match. Open to any one.

Entrance fee: One dollar.

Prizes: First, gold medal and all entrance fees.

Saturday, July 12th.

8:00 a. m.—The Taliaferro Trophy Match.

Open to teams of five officers and enlisted men from each company or battery authorized to participate in the matches.

Course of fire: Course "A."

Distance: 200 yards, off hand.

200 yards, rapid fire.

300 yards, 5 shots sitting and 5 kneeling.

300 yards, rapid fire.

500 yards, rapid fire.

600 yards, slow fire.

Order of fire: To be announced at the opening of the match.

Entrance fee: None.

Prizes: The Taliaferro Trophy to the winning team, and a bronze medal and \$5 in cash to each member of team.

STATE CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH.

11. The competitor who has fired each individual rifle and pistol match (either regular or tyro), and has the highest aggregate score, will be declared winner of the State Individual Championship for each arm, respectively.

Entries for this match must be made prior to the opening of the 200-yard match on Thursday, July 10th.

Entrance fee: 50 cents.

Prizes: First, gold medal, and all entrance fees.

TYRO MATCHES.

12. A series of Tyro Matches will be conducted coincident with the individual matches scheduled above for July 10th and 11th. These Tyro Matches will be open to any competitor who has never before fired in a competition.

At the time of entering for each match the competitor will indicate whether or not he wishes to enter for the regular match or as a tyro. If as a tyro he will sign the required certificate of eligibility and file it with the Statistical Officer.

A silver medal will be awarded as the first prize in each tyro match, together with 60 per cent of the entrance fees paid in by the tyros. Forty per cent of such fees will be paid as the second prize.

GENERAL CONDITIONS GOVERNING COMPETITION.

13. The State Rifle Competition will be held under the conditions prescribed by paragraphs 483 and 492, inclusive, National Guard Regulations; subject to the provisions of this order.

14. The officer or non-commissioned officer in charge of each detachment detailed to participate in or for duty at the competition will file with the Adjutant of the competition, immediately upon arrival in camp, copy of the company order under which those composing his detachment were detailed; whereupon the detachment will be assigned to quarters.

15. Other competitors may register with the Adjutant at any time during the progress of the matches, and will be assigned

quarters and such camp facilities as are available. Entries for all matches will be made with the Adjutant and Statistical Officer. Each team Captain, or competitor, will, upon entering for a match, be supplied with registered score cards by the Statistical Officer. He will present the score card whenever called to the firing point, and the card will remain with the officials of the competition until the match is completed. At the completion of each stage of firing, the score cards, signed by the scorers and the range officers, will be turned in direct by the Chief Range Officer to the Statistical Officer. When the scores have been recorded by that officer the cards will be returned to the competitors.

As far as possible, and subject to such modifications as the Executive Officer may announce, the matches making up the State Rifle Competition will be conducted under the rules prescribed for the National Matches, as published in War Department Bulletin No. 7, dated April 29, 1924.

SELECTION OF TEAM FOR NATIONAL MATCHES.

16. Immediately upon the conclusion of the 1,000-yard match, the Statistical Officer will prepare a list of the competitors who have participated in all of the individual rifle matches (either regular or tyro), arranging their names in the order of their aggregate scores.

16-a. At 1:00 o'clock p. m. all competitors will be assembled and the list referred to in the preceding paragraph will be assembled and the list referred to in the preceding paragraph will be posted. The first ten competitors on the list will be chosen as principals, to comprise the team which will represent the Florida National Guard in the National Matches of 1924. If any of those so chosen shall be ineligible under the rules governing the National Matches, or shall be unable or unwilling to accept detail as principals on the team, then the next names in order on the list shall be chosen until the first twenty names on the list have been sounded. If the ten principals are not secured among twenty competitors at the head of the list, the additional required principals and three alternates shall be selected by the Executive Officer of the competition.

16-b. Those selected to serve as principals or alternates on the State Team will be required to sign an agreement obligating themselves to faithfully carry out the preliminary practice that may be prescribed for them, and also to serve on the team.

16-c. The officers of the team will be designated in subsequent orders, and the Team Captain will prescribe the preliminary practice to be conducted at home stations between the date of the selection of the team and the date on which the team will be re-assembled to proceed to Camp Perry, which will be on or about August 28th; of which due notice will be given to those concerned.

BY COMMAND OF THE GOVERNOR:

J. CLIFFORD R. FOSTER,
Adjutant General.

STATE OF FLORIDA
MILITARY DEPARTMENT

FIELD OFFICE OF THE ADJUTANT GENERAL, FLORIDA
STATE CAMP GROUNDS

July 12th, 1924.

GENERAL ORDERS,
No. 10.

1. Pursuant to paragraph 45, Special Orders, No. 110, War Department, Colonel Moor N. Falls, Infantry, U. S. Army, has reported for duty as Instructor with the Florida National Guard, and, as Senior Instructor, has been assigned to duty in the office of the Adjutant General, at the State Arsenal, St. Augustine.

2. Captain Clyde C. Johnston, Medical Corps, has reported to the Governor of this State, under paragraph 47, Special Orders, No. 117, War Department, c.s., for duty as Instructor for the Medical Department troops of the 4th Corps Area. This officer will be stationed at the Headquarters, 4th Corps Area, Atlanta, Georgia.

3. The appointment and assignment of the following officers of the Florida National Guard are announced:

Major Jacob H. Spengler, Quartermaster Corps, Florida National Guard, to be Lieutenant Colonel, Quartermaster Corps, Florida National Guard, with rank from June 1st, 1924; assigned as Quartermaster, 31st Division. This officer, as the senior officer of the Quartermaster Corps, Florida National Guard, will continue to perform the duties of State Quartermaster, and as U. S. Property and Disbursing Officer.

Captain George W. Bassett, Jr., Judge Advocate General's Department, to be Major, Judge Advocate General's Department, with rank from June 1st, 1924.

Major Bert M. Atkinson, U. S. Army, retired, to be Major, Adjutant General's Department, with rank from June 5th, 1924; assigned as Assistant Adjutant General, in the office of the Adjutant General of Florida.

Captain Fred J. Dion, Quartermaster Section, O. R. C., to be Captain, Quartermaster Corps, Florida National Guard, with rank from June 1st; assigned as Assistant Quartermaster, 31st Division. In addition to his duties with the 31st Division, Captain Dion is assigned to duty in the office of the Adjutant General, State of Florida, State Arsenal, St. Augustine.

BY COMMAND OF THE GOVERNOR:

J. CLIFFORD R. FOSTER,
Adjutant General.

STATE OF FLORIDA
MILITARY DEPARTMENT

STATE ARSENAL, ST. AUGUSTINE, FLA.

July 27th, 1924.

GENERAL ORDERS.

No. 11.

NOMINATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS TO COMMISSIONED OFFICE.

1. Whenever a vacancy exists in the commissioned personnel of any organization of the Florida National Guard, nomination will be made by the next superior commander of some person eligible for appointment under Section 74, of the National Defense Act. In cases of original appointment, preference will be given to non-commissioned officers and others whose qualifications for commissioned office have been satisfactorily established by the test of examination as provided for under paragraph 213, N. G. R., as amended.

2. As far as practicable, original appointments of company officers will be made from competent non-commissioned officers of the organization. If in the judgment of the commanding officer an eligible nominee is not to be found within the organization, he will select some eligible person of previous military experience and training, if possible, and state the circumstances in his letter of nomination.

3. The principle of promotion by seniority will be followed in the Florida National Guard, as far as consistent and practicable; but nominations for filling vacancies among field and staff officers will be made from within the territorial limits to which the units composing the organization in which the vacancy exists are confined, or from communities adjacent thereto.

4. Organization commanders should constantly be on the alert to develop specially promising candidates for commissioned office. To that end, non-commissioned officers who are believed to possess qualifications which fit them for commissioned office should be encouraged to prepare themselves for the exercise of such responsibilities, and to apply for authority to take examination for appointment in the grade and arm of the service to which they aspire. Such applications will be made in the form of a letter addressed to the Adjutant General, which, if approved by the commander of the organization in which the applicant desires appointment, will be forwarded with the recommendations of such commanding officers, through intermediate commanders, to the office of the Adjutant General.

5. Nominations to fill vacancies in the commissioned personnel will be in the form of a letter to the Adjutant General. They will be forwarded through channels and bear the recommendations of all intermediate commanders. An officer will not make recommendations for appointments to grades higher than his own.

6. Letters of nomination, and applications for authority to take examination under paragraph 213, N. G. R., as amended, will be accompanied by the following papers

(a) Certificate called for under paragraph 239, N. G. R.

(b) Personal history and military record of the nominee, or applicant (on M. B. Form No. 108), prepared and forwarded in duplicate.

(c) Record of physical examination (on M. B. Form No. 95), made as required under paragraph 240, N. G. R., to be prepared and forwarded in duplicate.

(d) Two letters from representative citizens of the community where the nominee or applicant resides, testifying as to his moral character, standing in the community, etc., as required under paragraph 157, N. G. R.

(e) Any recommendations, or other evidence of fitness for commissioned office that the nominee or applicant may care to have considered.

7. Upon receipt of an order directing a candidate for appointment to commissioned office to appear before a board of officers for examination, the commanding officer of the organization to which the candidate belongs will immediately forward to the president of the board a confidential report upon the qualifications of the candidate. In cases of examination for promotion the same action will be taken by superior commanders in the chain of command who can give positive information, based upon observation of the candidate, demonstrated fitness, etc., as called for under paragraph 253, N. G. R., as amended.

8. Upon arrival at the Adjutant General's office of a nomination for appointment or application to take examination, the candidate will be ordered before an examining board.

9. Upon receipt of notice of favorable action upon a candidate by the board before which he has appeared for examination, his appointment to fill any existing vacancy for which he may have been recommended, will be made.

10. Upon receipt of notification of appointment to commissioned office, the appointee will immediately subscribe to the prescribed oath of office (using Form No. 337-1, A. G. O., W. D.), and will forward the same, in duplicate, to the Adjutant General, together with bond in such sum and with such sureties as existing regulations may require, for the faithful performance of the duties of a commissioned officer. The appointee having thus qualified, his appointment and assignment to duty will be announced in orders, and application will be made for his Federal recognition, as contemplated and required under paragraph 213, N. G. R. No nominee will exercise any function of commissioned office until he has been duly appointed, commissioned and assigned to duty in orders.

11. Upon receipt of notice from the War Department that Federal recognition has been extended an officer, his commission will issue. Officers are only entitled to Federal pay after having received Federal recognition.

BY COMMAND OF THE GOVERNOR:

J. CLIFFORD R. FOSTER,
Adjutant General.

STATE OF FLORIDA
MILITARY DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE ADJUTANT GENERAL
STATE ARSENAL, ST. AUGUSTINE

August 6, 1924.

GENERAL ORDERS,
No. 12.

The results of the various matches making up the State Rifle Competition which was held at the State Camp Grounds, July 10th to 12th, inclusive, 1924, are announced as follows:

RIFLE MATCHES.

200-Yard Slow Fire:

First—N. S. Bunting, Jacksonville Rifle Club.

Second—A. Dow.

200-Yard Rapid Fire:

First—Captain Preston Ayers, Company "K."

Second—H. D. Potts, 118th Infantry.

300-Yard Rapid Fire:

First—Sergeant L. L. Leonard, Company "A."

Second—Wm. McNamee, Jacksonville Rifle Club.

600-Yard Slow Fire:

First—A. Dow, Jacksonville Rifle Club.

Second—Private C. A. Hill, Company "K."

1,000-Yard Slow Fire:

First—Captain Preston Ayers, Company "K."

Second—Private A. J. Morway, Company "K."

State Individual Championship:

Captain Preston Ayers, Company "K."

PISTOL MATCHES.

Military Pistol Match:

First—Major C. H. Wilson, 124th Infantry.

Second—Sam Marshall, U. S. Reserve.

Police Pistol Match:

First—Wm. Tomlinson, Jacksonville Police Department.

Second—E. L. Acosta, Jacksonville Police Department.

Civilian Pistol Match:

First—Wm. McNamee, Jacksonville Rifle Club.

Second—W. C. Motz, Winter Haven Rifle Club.

State Pistol Championship Match:

Major C. H. Wilson, 124th Infantry.

The Taliaferro Trophy was won by Company "K," 124th Infantry.

BY COMMAND OF THE GOVERNOR:

J. CLIFFORD R. FOSTER,
Adjutant General.

STATE OF FLORIDA
MILITARY DEPARTMENTOFFICE OF THE ADJUTANT GENERAL
STATE ARSENAL, ST. AUGUSTINE

August 21st, 1924.

GENERAL ORDERS,
No. 13.

DEFENSE TEST.

1. Pursuant to Militia Bureau letter dated June 17, 1924, and to subsequent instructions received from the Commanding General of the 4th Corpt Area, a Defense Test of all units of the Florida National Guard will take place on September 12th, 1924.

2. This is the warning order contemplated under paragraph 36-a, Army Regulations 120-10. For the purpose of this test, it will be assumed that the "mobilization order," provided for under paragraph 36-b, A. R. 120-10, has been received at each post of the Florida National Guard on the night of September 11th, and Commanding Officers of posts, and of all organizations thereat, will issue further necessary orders for carrying out the test.

NECESSARY ACTION.

3. This test is to be conducted without expense to the Federal Government or to the State, and M-Day activities will be so limited. The test will include, however:

(a) An assembly of all officers, and all Federally recognized units of the National Guard at each post. This assembly to be so timed as to permit of participation in any parade that may be arranged for in connection with a local Defense Day demonstration program.

(b) Muster and inspection of each unit by the Post Commander.

(c) Practical operation of the system of recruiting provided for under the mobilization plan of each unit.

(d) A careful examination by the Post Commander of the Unit Mobilization Plan of each organization, with special relation to the following matters, and to determine the practicability of the arrangements contemplated:

(1) Procurement and suitability of local rendezvous.

(2) Arrangements for local recruiting and reception of men from local draft boards.

(3) Administration of physical examinations.

(4) Preparation of records.

(5) Messing of organizations.

(6) Provision for obtaining and issuing necessary clothing and equipment.

(7) Detail of officers authorized to contract indebtedness on the part of the United States.

(8) Care of the sick.

4. The Defense Test provided for under this order will take the place of a regular drill for the week of September 7 to 13, and proper orders will be issued by local commanders changing the day and time of drill for that week, where that is necessary.

REPORTS.

5. Immediately upon receipt of this order, every commissioned officer of the Florida National Guard will carefully read and study the provisions of Army Regulations Nos. 120-10 and 130-10, and will sign and forward to this office certificate to the effect that he has done so, using forms that will be supplied each organization for that purpose.

6. On the day of the Defense Test, or within one day thereafter, the Commanding Officer at each post will forward to this office his report upon the Defense Test, muster and inspection, making special report for each unit, upon Form No. 3, which will be furnished from this office for the purpose.

BY COMMAND OF THE GOVERNOR:

J. CLIFFORD R. FOSTER,
Adjutant General, Florida,
Chief of Staff.

STATE OF FLORIDA MILITARY DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE ADJUTANT GENERAL
STATE ARSENAL, ST. AUGUSTINE

September 9, 1924.

GENERAL ORDERS, No. 14.

OFFICERS OF THE FLORIDA NATIONAL GUARD RESERVE.

1. The attention of all officers of the Florida National Guard Reserve is invited to the following provisions of law and National Guard Regulations affecting their status as commissioned officers and prescribing what is required of them to maintain that status:

(a) Paragraph 169, National Guard Regulations, as amended, prescribes how officers are transferred to the Reserve.

(b) Paragraphs 171 and 206, National Guard Regulations, require each officer of the Florida National Guard Reserve to be physically examined annually. Copies of Form 95, for such examination, are being sent out with this order to all Reserve officers, and at some time between October 1st and December 31st of each calendar year, they will undergo the prescribed physical examination by a medical officer authorized to make the same (of the Army, National Guard, or O. R. C.), and forward report on Form 95 (in duplicate) to the Adjutant General, for transmission to the War Department.

(c) Paragraph 175, National Guard Regulations, prescribes that Reserve officers shall be discharged upon reaching the maximum age limit authorized for the grade which they hold, unless they apply for examination as to their qualifications for appointment to higher grade, and are promoted. For the information of all concerned, the age limits are shown below:

Second Lieutenant, from 21 to 32 years.
 First Lieutenant, from 21 to 36 years.
 Captain, from 21 to 40 years.
 Major, from 21 to 45 years.
 Lieutenant Colonel, from 21 to 50 years.
 Colonel, from 21 to 55 years.

(d) Paragraph 197, National Guard Regulations, requires every Reserve officer to make report by postcard to the Adjutant General on the last day of March, June, September and December of each year, giving his place of residence, postoffice address, etc. This quarterly report will be made on postcard forms that will be furnished by this office for the purpose, and will be the basis of determining whether or not Reserve officers are present and available for duty.

(e) Reserve officers who contemplate leaving the State should apply for leave of absence for the period of their contemplated absence. If they permanently remove their residence beyond the limits of the State, they should tender their resignations.

(f) Reserve officers permanently changing their place of residence within the State should immediately report such change of residence to the Adjutant General by postcard or letter.

(g) Paragraph 293, National Guard Regulations, provides that officers of the National Guard who are absent without leave for more than three months may be dropped from the rolls of the Guard. This applies, of course, to Reserve officers, and failure to submit required reports as to their presence and availability for duty will determine the action to be taken in such cases.

2. It will be appreciated, of course, that the dropping of an officer as absent without leave, involves a reflection upon the officer concerned, seriously affects his record, and would be considered should his name ever be under consideration in the future for appointment to commissioned office. For this reason, officers of the Reserve should not permit themselves to be eliminated from the service by any failure upon their part to maintain proper status; but, if they desire to terminate their service and be relieved of further responsibility as commissioned officers, they should tender their resignations.

BY COMMAND OF THE GOVERNOR:

J. CLIFFORD R. FOSTER,
Adjutant General, Florida.

STATE OF FLORIDA
MILITARY DEPARTMENTOFFICE OF THE ADJUTANT GENERAL
STATE ARSENAL, ST. AUGUSTINE

September 27, 1924.

GENERAL ORDERS,
No. 15.

1. A thorough inspection and verification of all public military property pertaining to organizations of the Florida National Guard and audit of public moneys and organization funds will be made between October 1st and December 15th, 1924, by the State Quartermaster, or such other officer as may be detailed for this duty.

2. All officers who are responsible for funds or property are notified of the pending audit of funds and verification of property and will make all necessary advance arrangements to facilitate the same. Ten days' advance notice will be given of the visit of the Inspector to each post, and during that time all property pertaining to the organization will be assembled in the armory, cleaned and so arranged as to be quickly available for inspection and verification. Articles of each class will be placed together and neatly arranged in organization property rooms, so that it can be quickly examined and verified.

3. With the verification of the actual date on which the Inspector will visit each post, there will be furnished the officers responsible for property, an inventory showing all property pertaining to the organization as shown by the records in the office of the State Quartermaster. When the Inspector visits the organization this property must be exhibited to him. If it is not, it will be checked short and the responsible officer in each case will be furnished a list of missing property. In such cases the responsible officer will be allowed a period of fifteen days to locate and recover such property, and, if he does so, he will forward to the Adjutant General an affidavit (form to be supplied by the Inspector) to the effect that he has recovered the property listed in detail therein and now actually has it in his possession, or, if the property is not recovered, he will forward check for its money value or statement that he has entered the amount involved as a charge against enlisted men (naming them) and that collection will be made on the next pay roll of the organization covering armory drill pay.

4. If there be any shortage of property not adjusted in the manner above indicated and within the limit of time above prescribed, the State Quartermaster will at once institute surveys to investigate the losses which appear and fix responsibility therefor.

5. The purpose of this verification of property is to establish whether or not all property which has been issued for the use of organizations of the National Guard is actually on hand and is serviceable and available for use; also, as to whether or not such property is being properly administered and cared for, and, if any

has been lost, to determine whether or not such losses were unavoidable with the exercise of due care and precautions. There is the further purpose of determining whether or not public moneys and organization funds are being properly administered and accounted for as required by regulations. Commanding officers at all posts are charged with the duty of supervising the unit preparations for this inspection and will see that all necessary advance arrangements are made.

By COMMAND OF THE GOVERNOR:

J. CLIFFORD R. FOSTER,
Adjutant General, Florida.

STATE OF FLORIDA
MILITARY DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE ADJUTANT GENERAL
STATE ARSENAL, ST. AUGUSTINE

October 25, 1924.

GENERAL ORDERS,
No. 16.

INSPECTION AND INVENTORY OF MILITARY PROPERTY.

1. General Orders, No. 15, A. G. O., c.s., is rescinded. The auditing of money accounts will be provided for in subsequent orders.
2. In pursuance of orders from the War Department, an inventory of all Federal military property in possession of the Florida National Guard will be made by the Inspector on duty with each organization, or other designated officer of the Regular Army. The purpose of this inventory (from the Federal standpoint) is to determine the exact quantities and condition of Federal property in possession of the National Guard.
3. In order that this examination and verification of property may be effectively and conveniently made, all officers of the Florida National Guard who are responsible for Federal military property are required to present such property to the officer detailed to make the inspection.
4. Ten days' advance notice will be given of the visit of the Federal Inspector to each post (this notice will be by direct communication from the Inspector), and, during that time, all Federal military property will be assembled at the armory, cleaned and so arranged as to be quickly and conveniently available for inspection and verification. Articles of each class will be placed together and neatly arranged in organization property rooms.
5. All articles considered by the responsible officers as "unserviceable," or listed by the Inspecting Officer as "unserviceable," should be immediately grouped together by class and pre-

sented to the Federal Officer upon the conclusion of the inventory, with survey papers, for his action upon such property in the capacity of Surveying Officer.

6. In connection with the surveys authorized under the preceding paragraph, it is enjoined that no lost property be listed in survey proceedings upon unserviceable property. If losses have occurred, such articles should be covered in separate survey proceedings and be supported by proper and sufficient testimony bearing upon the case.

7. With the notification of the actual date upon which the Federal Inspector will visit the post, there will be furnished the officers responsible for property an inventory showing all property with which they are charged, as shown by the records in the office of the State Quartermaster. When the Inspector reaches the post, this property must be exhibited to him. If it is not, it will be checked short and the responsible officer in each case will be furnished a list of missing property. In such cases, the responsible officer will be allowed a period of fifteen days to locate and recover such property, and, if he does so, he will forward to the Adjutant General an affidavit (form to be supplied by the Inspector) to the effect that he has recovered the property listed in detail therein and now actually has it in his possession; or, if the property is not recovered, he will forward check for its money value, or statement that he has entered the amount involved as a charge against enlisted men (naming them), and that collection will be made on the next pay roll of the organization covering the armory drill pay.

8. If there be any shortage of property not adjusted in the manner above indicated, and within the limit of time above prescribed, the State Quartermaster will at once institute surveys to investigate the losses which appear and to fix responsibility therefor.

9. The following named Regular Army officers have been designated by the Corps Area Commander to take the inventory in question:

Infantry Organizations:

Colonel Moor N. Falls, Infantry (D.O.L.).

Assistants:

Captain James L. Ballard, Infantry (D.O.L.), and
Captain Arch A. Fall, Infantry (D.O.L.).

Field Artillery Organizations:

Major Ray W. Baker, Field Artillery (D.O.L.).

Assistant:

Major William Ord Ryan, Field Artillery (D.O.L.).

Coast Artillery Organizations:

Major Delmar S. Lenzner, C. A. C. (D.O.L.).

Engineer Organizations:

Lieutenant Hubert W. Collins, C. E. (D.O.L.).

Quartermaster Corps Organizations:

Captain Herbert L. Kidwell, Q. M. C.

The above listed officers are authorized to deal directly with post commanders concerned in order to complete the necessary preliminary arrangements, and make the inspections and inventories required. All officers of the Florida National Guard are enjoined to assist the Federal officers charged with the making of this property inspection and inventory in every possible way.

10. Since the necessary preparation for this verification of property by Federal officers would require a duplication of the work by responsible officers which would be necessary for the State inspection and verification of property already provided for under General Orders, No. 15, A. G. O., c.s., it has been decided to combine the two and the inventory by the Federal officers will be made the basis for adjustment of property accounts by the State authorities.

11. From the State standpoint, the purpose of this verification of property is to establish whether or not all property which has been issued for the use of organizations of the National Guard is actually on hand and is serviceable and available for use; also, as to whether or not such property is being properly administered and cared for, and, if any has been lost, to determine whether or not such losses were unavoidable with the exercise of all due care and precautions. Commanding officers at all posts are charged with the duty of supervising the unit preparations for this inspection and will see that all necessary advance arrangements are made.

BY COMMAND OF THE GOVERNOR:

J. CLIFFORD R. FOSTER,
Adjutant General, Florida.

STATE OF FLORIDA
MILITARY DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE ADJUTANT GENERAL
STATE ARSENAL, ST. AUGUSTINE, FLORIDA

November 29, 1924.

GENERAL ORDERS,
No. 17.

1. Announcement is made with deep regret of the death of First Lieutenant John C. Byrne, Florida National Guard Reserve, which occurred November 26, 1924.

John C. Byrne was born at Ulster, N. Y., on June 30, 1890. He entered the Florida National Guard in 1914 in Company "D," 1st Florida Infantry; was appointed Second Lieutenant and mustered into Federal service in 1917; appointed First Lieutenant November, 1917, in 124th Infantry, and Captain of 85th Infantry, February, 1919. He was discharged from this commission in September, 1919, on account of demobilization of his regiment. He was appointed First Lieutenant, Q. M. C., Florida National Guard, and assigned to command Motor Transport Company No. 220, August 28, 1922; assigned to the National Guard Reserve as First Lieutenant, May 14, 1924.

The funeral of the late Lieutenant John C. Byrne will take place today in Jacksonville, and the Commanding Officer of the Florida National Guard at the Post of Jacksonville will furnish an appropriate escort.

BY COMMAND OF THE GOVERNOR:

J. CLIFFORD R. FOSTER,
The Adjutant General.

STATE OF FLORIDA
MILITARY DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE ADJUTANT GENERAL
STATE ARSENAL, ST. AUGUSTINE, FLA.

December 27, 1924.

GENERAL ORDERS,
No. 19.

1. Major Delmar S. Lenzner, C. A. C. (DOL), and Captain William H. Sweet, C. A. C. (DOL), having been so detailed by the Commanding General, 4th Corps Area, are announced as Instructors, Florida National Guard. Major Lenzner's address is Box 1304, Wilmington, N. C. Captain Sweet's address is Box 404, Beaufort, S. C.

2. Lieutenant Colonel Percy L. Jones, Medical Corps, has reported to the Governor of this State under paragraph 13, Special Orders, 257, War Department, October 30, 1924, for duty as Instructor. This officer will be stationed at Headquarters, 4th Corps Area, Atlanta, Ga.

3. Acting upon the petition of citizens of Jasper, Florida, a unit of Engineers has been organized and mustered into the service at that point. This unit was extended Federal recognition December 1, 1924, as

Company "E," 106th Engineers.

BY COMMAND OF THE GOVERNOR:

J. CLIFFORD R. FOSTER,
Brigadier General, F. N. G.,
The Adjutant General, Florida.

